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A Peace of Our Lives

Many may believe that 2006 is a time which revolves around war and violence in Iraq. However, not many people see where peace comes into play. Essentially, every country, culture, and nation is striving for the ultimate goal of PEACE. The students at Highland High School may not be able to bring peace around the world or even in their own country, but everyone can support our troops.



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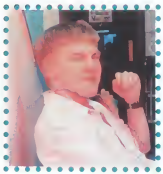
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No one will ever agree on the same issues of war & politics, but everyone will usually agree that high school is one of the most significant times in anyone's life. It is a defining moment when a person develops his or her character and sent off into the "real world." Through all of the drama, friendships, love, hate, war, & harmony, high school will always remain

A Peace of Our Lives



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Everybody -- from time to time -- hates high school, right?

Sure, our time spent at this place can seem to drag on; but is it really all that bad?

No matter what you may think, these are the memories that will stay with us long after we leave this place. From the tests and the teachers, to the kids in the halls. From the dances we will never forget, to the sports games that never fail to surprise us. These are the moments that will always be *a peace of our lives*.

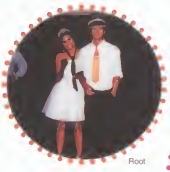


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STUDENT LIFE



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HOMECOMING

It was time for another exciting Homecoming experience. Homecoming week consisted of Spirit Days and the annual Superstars competition. The many activities, including the Three-legged Race and the Lemon Pass, not only pumped everyone up, but also got their competitive juices flowing.

"We must protect this house" is something that might have been heard by senior Derek Moser on the night of the Homecoming Game vs. Andreon. The football team tried to do just that but it wasn't enough to hold off Andreon which defeated our beloved Trojans.

When senior quarterback Andrew Helmer was sidelined due to a concussion earlier in the season, sophomore Adam Musielok was forced to guide the offense. "I was really nervous about the game because I had to try and fill Andrew's shoes," he said. "Now I know what he feels like before the games."

During halftime of the Homecoming game, the announcement of the King and Queen took place. Kyle Ruebel and Caitlin Ryder were crowned King and Queen, respectively, and Highland students enjoyed a memorable Homecoming.

BY KARA GEORGEFF
AND
DONNA SMAILIS



Yummy
Senior Kim Lindsey stuffs her face during the pie-eating contest.



Huddle-Huddle
Coach Miller pumps up his team during a timeout.



Say Cheese
The defending champs pose for a senior shot.

"We Must Protect This House"

Highland's Student Section cheers on the Trojans during the Homecoming football game.

Miller



Miller



Homecoming Court: Amy Brack, Jon Biancardi, Janine Diaz, Andrew Helmer, Brianne Mahala, Ron Hobbs, Caitlin Ryder, Dave Lepucki, Donna Smailis, and Kyle Ruebel







Several junior girls take a break to pose for a picture during the Homecoming Dance.



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Homecoming Dance



King and Queen
Kyle Ruebel and Caitlin Ryder were named Homecoming Royalty.



Romance
Doug Fritz and Caleigh Olszewski share a special dance.



Party Time
Students dance the night away.

On October 1st, 2005, Highland High School students entered the Auxiliary Gym, excited for the fun-filled night ahead. With the 2005 theme of "Come Sail Away," the gym was decorated accordingly. The decorations included ships, balloons, and pictures of far-off islands. Student Council sponsored the dance and provided refreshments. Although this year's Court consisted of a standout group of nominees, seniors Kyle Rubel and Caitlin Ryder were crowned King and Queen. The two seniors were crowned during halftime of the Homecoming football game, and then introduced again at the dance. To say the very least, it was an enjoyable evening for all of those students who attended.

"Homecoming was super fun ... a great way to go out," senior Donna Smallis said.

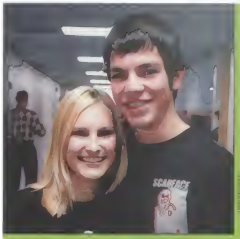
BY MELANIE RAMSEY
AND
MALCOLM MUNROE

"Homecoming was super fun ... a great way to go out."

Couples and Best Friends

Being in high school is a coming of age experience. Through thick and thin we always have that one person we know we can call up at 3 a.m. that will listen to our troubles. These are the people we can count on, and the people we love. Relationships are an essential part of your high school and life experiences. Whether you have gone out for two weeks or two years, there will always be that person who comes into your life and leaves you with memories you will have forever. High school may just be a "Piece of Our Lives" but when you look back, you won't remember your exam grades or what you wore on your first day. Instead, you'll remember the drama, the jokes, and the people that were there through it all.

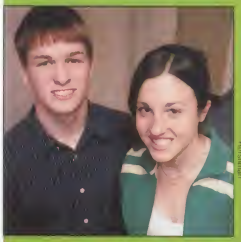
By Lauren King
and
Katy Richwalksi



Picture Perfect Couple
Seniors Tim Cheek and Heather Gortat have been dating for two years.



Friends
Seniors Lisa Roach and Suzi Stinnett have been best friends since grade school.



Say Cheese!
Freshmen Jonny Tyler and Martha Bush have dated for nine months.

"The best ships on the sea are friendships and that will always be."

junior, Lisa Morales

Thumbs Up!

Junior Jimmy Seward and Aimee Fredericks have been dating for two years.



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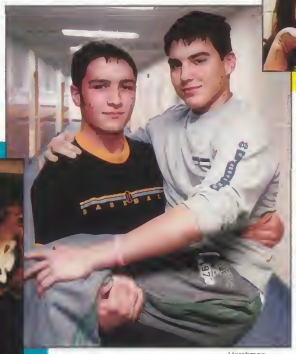


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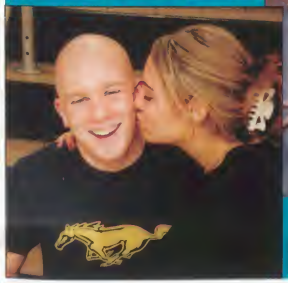


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Juniors Leslie Igartua, Alicia Ziller, and Ilsa Morales have been inseperable since they met in middle school.



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Strike a Pose! Junior, Sarah Kaiunis showcases the appetizing Zuni's menu.



Ferree



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STUDENT JOBS

Having a job is a big part of most students' high school lives.

What motivates most students to work, you ask?

MONEY! MONEY! MONEY!

There are many benefits of having a part-time job in high school. Some students get discounts on clothing, free movie tickets, or even free food. "I like my job at Dairy Queen because I get all the free food and ice cream that I want," says senior, Alyse Cashen. Plus, a little extra money always helps.

Most students make an average of $6.50 an hour, and they spend it mostly on gas, going out on the weekends, and on various hobbies and interests.

Most students say that they are saving for a car or college, while the remainder enjoy the extra spending money to use for whatever reason that may exist at the time. Regardless of what you do with the extra money, most students agree that having a job instills a sense of independence that perhaps wouldn't have existed without working after school.

BY DANIELLE FERREE
AND
ALICIA ROSIGNOL



Soup or Salad
Phil Miller awaits his tasty salad.



Hard at Work
Senior Caitlin Gierymski poses with a co-worker at Marshall's.



Greetings from Texas
Senior, Katie Schwader, shows her pride for Texas Corral.

"Brinain' home the bacon."
- junior, Sarah Kiaunis

TURNABOUT

As couples strolled into the Halls of St. George at 6:30 p.m. they got ready for one of the best nights of their high school lives.

The fun started at precisely 7 p.m. and didn't end until nearly midnight.

The theme of the Turnabout dance was "Movin Rouge: Heat up the Night," and it seemed to coordinate well with the very popular red dresses worn by many of the girls.

It was the best dance of the year ... of all the years. We celebrated turnabout all weekend," Brianne Mahala said.

Asad Qureshi also enjoyed himself, adding, "It was cool when everyone started singing that Backstreet Boys song when the music stopped."

In order to make the dancing a bit more comfortable, many of the girls took off their high-heel shoes while the boys removed their jackets. Everyone enjoyed dancing with their friends to songs like "Sandstorm." Members of the Hip-Hop Dance Team also showed off many of their dance moves. Still, others simply enjoyed spending quality time with their date.

The craziest part of the dance was when everyone was moshing to Metallica," Cory Tomczak said.

Regardless of how your time was spent at Turnabout, many agree that it was a spectacular time.

BY JENNIFER LEBLANC AND KYLE RUEBEL

"It was the best dance of the year ... of all the years."
- senior, Brianne Mahala



Precious Moment
Members of the Turnabout Court pose for a picture.



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Unforgettable
Sophomores Matt Graegin and Casey Liston enjoy slow dancing at Turnabout.



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So Close
Juniors Alex Hernandez and Cristin Olszewski share a special moment at Turnabout.



Three's Company

Queens Babe Simkus and Caitlin Gierymski surprised everyone by winning the title of Queen; a first time for the dance. King Andrew Helmer didn't seem to mind.

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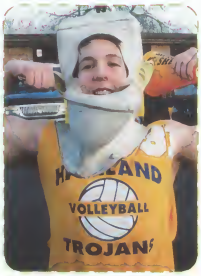






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There are many people you meet in your high school career, whether it be in class, in the halls, or at dances and games. These people may become friends or enemies, but, either way, they are the ones you will remember the rest of your life.



Simkus

High school teaches the importance of establishing relationships. Many years from now, we will reflect and realize, that after high school, we left behind more than we thought we did and that our friends, too, were more important than we had thought. We got all of this and much more from high school which comprised *a piece of our lives.*


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What is your favorite childhood memory?



























Remember When...

It's been a long journey... 12 years of teachers yelling at each day, 12 years of school lunches, 12 years of hearing that dreadful bell each morning, and even a few years of recess. Even though it's all over, it's always fun to reminisce on what it was like before high school. Remember when there weren't any finals, any term papers, any credits, and any ISS? But then again, there wouldn't be Prom, "Mad Dog," and Senior Ditch Day. Throughout these years, we have all met those certain people that we will never forget.

Who's Who?


1


2


3


4


5


6


a


b


c


d


e


f

Tim Cheek: 1& e, Ron Hobbs: 2 & c, J.D. Fabian: 3 & d, Ashley Garcia:4 & b, Tina Traczyk: 5 & f, Alena Sanchez: 6 & a

SENIORS











Well, we finally made it. Through the report cards, the boring study halls, the gross school lunches, and the ever-so important Words of the Day. Despite all of those things that we suffered through, there are still those good memories that will stick with us forever. Like hanging out in the Commons, Friday night games, half days, or that special someone who makes your day that much better. We've made friends and memories that will last a lifetime. Never forget those people you've known since kindergarten. Never forget that first crush, that crazy teacher, the class clown, or that giant dancing gorilla. In that time there is a certain peace because you know you've made the most of it. Never forget that PEACE OF OUR LIVES.



Kelly Adams

"No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."



Justin Albrecht

"The snozberries taste like snozberries."



Ian Altieri

"If all else fails, try, try, and try again."



George Arroyo



Carrissa Ashby



Amanda Baranowski

"You can be the world's greatest hero or its most mild mannered citizen, but the only person who can write your story is you."





Ashley Barath

"There can be no friendship without confidence and no confidence without integrity."



Amber Barnes



Christina Barrios



Ashlee Berkos

"Burnt Toast."



Jonathon Biancardi

"Someone has to step up: the toughest kid in school is graduating."



Matthew Biesen



Brian Bland

"There is no expedient to which man will not go to avoid the labor of thinking."
–Thomas Edison



Lara Bodner

UP CLOSE and personal

Michael Calarie

Michael Calarie's high school career consisted of soccer, work, and hanging out with friends. He also enjoyed going to see Dave the waiter at Red Robin.

While he had many great memories at Highland, his favorite was that day in May, 2004 when Michael, Alex, and Mark battled on April 20, 2004 Brian Robison ate a whole large pizza from Little Ceasar's.

After high school, Calarie plans on winning the lottery, and if that doesn't work out, he will end up at Purdue Calumet.



Raymond Bogusz

"What if this is the craziest it gets ten years?"



Melissa Bonham



Henry Boyd

"God's got a sense of humor. Life is his biggest joke. Learn to laugh at it. 254."



Lauren Brechner

"Or if there's a cure for deja vu..."



Kathleen Brooks

"Never have regrets. Just learn from your mistakes and keep moving forward."



Zachary Bujaki

"Stay strong. I love Kim Lindsey."



Ryan Cains



Michael Calarie



Hayley Camalick



Ashley Carlassare

"Peace, Love, Happiness."



Alyse Cashen

"Never grow up. Never surrender!



Timothy Cheek

"It takes more than a good memory to have good memories."



Bruce Cichoki



Lauren Comer

"...psshh, not me."



Chad Cooper

"Coherency is overrated..."



Danielle Cox

"Never regret anything that made you smile."

Fine Dining



What Lyfer Favorite Fast Food Joint?

- *Applebees ~Amber Barnes
- *Steak Burrito ~Ian Ferguson
- *Bennigans ~Erica Latimer
- *Steak n' Shake ~Zach Kikolas
- *Aladdin's ~Robbie Nadal
- *B-dubs ~Donna Smalls
- *El Amigo ~Michael McFarland



Anthony Creviston

"Quality over quantity, with girls and your buds."



Morgan Crist



Brian Dahlkamp



Marcus Davis



Jameson DelRio

"[illegible] that [illegible] model. It's me [illegible] really is Jameson DelRio



James Dempsey

"Hey, no matter how long after graduation you're reading this, the Cubs still haven't won the World Series. White Sox '05"



Janine Diaz



Michael Dobosz

"...and that's my cue to exit.



Justin Donsbach

"There is a good reason they call these ceremonies commencements. Graduation is no the end; it's the beginning."



Andrew Drake

"Heather, are you expecting a flood?"

What's your line?

"This is why I can't have nice things." –Malcolm Munroe

"I respect that." –Caitlin Ryder

"I am Jameson DelRio, the one and only." – Jameson DelRio

"Paint chips make me thirsty." – Brian Bland

"Dat's Amasing!"–Lloyd Martinez



Ryan Drake

"If we wait until tomorrow, will tomorrow ever come?"



Charles Dyke

"I know [illegible] has nothing that [illegible] will ever make you happy.



Michelle Echlin

Favorite Lunches

"Mini corndogs" –Andrew Helmer

"CFS with gravy" –"Moose" and "Woz"

"Chicken Nuggets" –Goober

"Spicy Chicken Sandwich" –Nick Shreffler



Gregory Ellis



Katie Ellis

"Things don't always end up as you picture them, but sometimes they can end up even better if you give them a chance."



Joshua Ewing

seniors



Joseph Fabian



Ryan Felker



Ian Ferguson

"Got a quater?"



Timothy Ferry



Stephen Fivecoat

"Get-R-Done!"

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Ashley Fleishman

"Apparently there's more things in life than fashion. Yeah, right."

#eather Konyar

Senior Sapphire Hesther Konyar, has participated in many high school activities. [illegible] Community, National Honor Society, Gamma Theta Society, and Dramatic Hell.

[illegible] Ball State University. There she will pursue [illegible] Elementary Education and Dance with a minor in Dance Therapy.

After high school, Konyar plans on attending Ball State University, where she will dance on the Ball State Dance team while studying to become an elementary school teacher.





Amanda Flores

"I know, right?"



Brittany Flores

"Who does that!?"



Jenise Flores



Nicholas Foster

"Chicks dig it (John Deere Car)."



Jennifer Franek



Aimee Fredericks

"Live like there's no tomorrow and always remember nugget day."



Angela Fuqua

"Some of us think holding on makes us strong; but sometimes it is letting go."



Ashley Garcia

"Life is too short...so love like you can't get hurt, smile like it's going out of style, and have no regrets because it's all worthwhile."



Melissa Genovese

"I live for the nights I can't remember with the friends I won't forget."



Brian Gentry

"Only after you lose everything is when you are free to do anything." - Fight Club



Kara Georgeff

"Take nothing but photos, leave nothing but footsteps, and kill nothing but time."



Caitlin Gierymski

"Tim's basically amazing."



Brandi Glenn

"God's greatest gift is Mary."



Anessa Gordon

anessa gordon



UP CLOSE and personal

Steve Zaborowski

Steve Zaborowski, also known as "Zbo", made many memories in high school. His favorite however is when he, Jake Barber, Danny Smalley, and Brianne Mahaki made their prom dance and took pictures of them in Mr. Richardson's costume closet.

Zaborowski comes more than just dressing fun with prom. In his career at Highland, he participated in basketball, swimming, basketball, Student Council, and played football for the Trojans all four years.

However, high school will not be the end of "Zabo's" football career. After Highland, he plans on playing football for Olivet Nazarene University while studying to be a medical laboratory technician.



Heather Gortat

Heather Gortat

"You can't discover new oceans unless you have the courage to leave the shore."



Thomas Groen

thomas groen



Joshua Gunn

joshua gunn



Amy Gyure

"I always feel like an idiot, but I am an idiot so it kinda works out."



Eric Haehnal

eric haehnal



Andrew Hall

Andrew Hall

"They say that time changes things, but you actually have to change them yourself."



Matthew Hanft

Matthew Hanft

"Who's the gorilla? Play some Skynard!!! Big trucks are made for girls in little skirts."



Brett Hanson

Brett Hanson



Kevin Heaton

"I'm not Jesus!"



Andrew Helmer

"Oh, no. This kid's confused. (sigh)"



Christian Hershman

"Do you have tickets ... to the gunshow?"



Ronald Hobbs

"Sometimes it's necessary to go a long distance out of the way in order to come back a short distance correctly."



Amanda Hornback

"Dare to be different."



Brittany Horvath



Justin Hussey



Brian Jelski

"We don't live on a millionth of one percent about anything. Thomas A. Edison



Nicholas Johnson



Andrew Jones

"Thanks for playing."



Holly Jones

"EEEEEE-boy, I'm outta here."



Matthew Jones

"If at first you don't succeed, failure might be your style."



Justin Kaczarski

"John: 17 Jack: 23 or let the game begin."



Benjamin Kalinowski

"He gone!"



Kathryn Kane

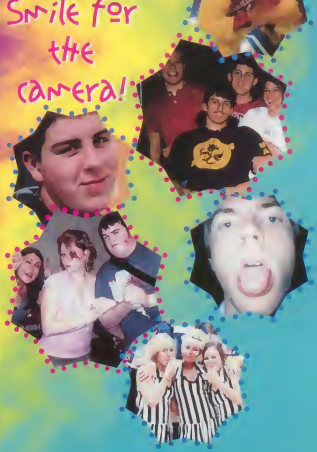
"Live like there is no tomorrow, love like you've never been hurt, dance like no one is watching, and play every game like it's your last."



Lisa Kerstell



Smile for the camera!





Nancy Khiev

"Everybody loves an Asian girl!"



Justin Kiest



Zachary Kikalos

"It's the fishaayyy boi!!! Look at him, look at him, he's so cool"



Brandon Kitchell

"Kithcell o da bubbl"



James Klobucar



Timothy Kolbert



Heather Konyar

"I can't believe we're done."



Bethany Kotynski

"I love lamp."



Ryan Krejci

I finally want to be here and it's time to leave."



Melissa Kristy

"Learn from yesterday, live for today, and hope for tomorrow."



Traci Kuiper

"Smiling's my favorite"



Katherine Kus



Sarah Laroche

"everything happens for a reason -- it just takes time to make sense."

TV Shows

"The Gauntlet." - Ricky Sabo

"Grey's Anatomy." - Caitlin Gierymski

"Seinfeld." - Ian Alteri

"One Tree Hill." - Tina Traczyk

"The OC." -Ashley Fleishman

Remember When...

What's your favorite high school memory?

"When we acted out Julius Caesar in Mr. Lemon's class."
~Traci Kuiper

" Mr. Doukas' class."
~Jon Velasco

"Krejci getting kicked out of high school basketball games."
~Jimmy Dempsey

"Dressing up for games and being the three-time Lincoln Center League Champs." ~ Ryan Massey



Jennifer LeBlanc

"I might forget the high school memories, but I'll never forget who they were with ... B, Dani, Sarah, Ash!"



David Lepucki

"You have to look out for #1 and be careful not to step in #2"



Kimmie Lindsey

"Happiness is like peeing your pants ... everyone can see it but only you can feel the warmth."

seniors



Daniel Litera

"N w you know and h w half the battle



Cynthia Lopez



Mia Lopez

"You only live once, but if you live right, once is enough."



Rachel Lubarski

"It never happened..."



Brandi Maggi



Brianne Mahala

"You'll never be old and wise unless you were young and crazy!"

UP CLOSE and personal

Caitlin Ryder



Caitlin Ryder participated in many activities during her high school career. She was a member of the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, T.R.E.N.D., and Student Council.

Other than participating in various clubs, Ryder also attended many sports functions. "The best moment was the feeling of unity throughout the fans, as we all rushed Munster's football field after winning the Battle of the Bridge."

After high school, Ryder plans on going to Purdue, getting married, and ending up on QVC. Somewhere in there she'd like to get wealthy, too.



Amy Mahler

" 'For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future.' "



Brandon Maicher



Gregory Manus



Bridget Marczewski

"Life is a balance of holding on and letting go."



Derek Marich

"I <3 AP Physics."



Thomas Markussen

"Everything that doesn't kill you, makes you stronger."



Ryan Massey

"Everytime I do it... I do it for my hood."



Julie Matias



Delana McCarroll

"Live as if today were your last."



Michael McFarland

"Some mistakes are too fun to only make once, right Z.K.?"



Lisa Meadows

"As the end is near, it's finally clear that we all have a reason for being here."



Eric Meeder

"So long and thanks



Philip Miller

"Stealin' stones and Breakin' bones.



Alesandro Montes

"Life is like a war. You fight for what you want, but sometimes you have to lose some battles to win the war."



UP CLOSE and personal

Michael McFarland

Michael McFarland was very outgoing in high school. He played baseball for four years, tennis for three years, and basketball for three years.

Sports are not all that McFarland did in high school. He had other hobbies including cruising around in his gold mini- van and making pyramids in the Commons with the brohta bois.

McFarland's greatest inspiration is his dad. After high school, he plans on going to Indiana Universtiy and majoring in finance.



Benjamin Montes

"I have an excuse ... I'm Mexican."



Sigmond Morgan

"A wise man once told me 'not to survive your life, but to conquer it.' "



Derek Moser

"DTA"



Michael Moynihan

"One can face the future with one's past."



Malcolm Munroe

"Wanna hear a joke ... women's right's ... 254"



Madelyn Murrian

"You boys like Mexico? Whoooo!"



Paul Musielak

"Do you remember when we were younger, and we ..."



Matthew Neidow

"Where would we be without our crazy fun weekends?"



Eric Nelson

"I can t complain, but sometimes I still do.



Julie Nelson

"Word"



William O'Connor

"It's all about the Peking House!"



Alex Olivares

"I'm just tryin' to maintain because the future's untold."



Elizabeth Ortman

"Life is a succession of moments. To live each one is to succeed."



Stephanie Osenkarski

"Hatred stirrs up dissension, but love covers all wrongs." Proverbs 10:12



Daniel Payne



Lauren Perrone



Daniel Peters

"Failing is not failing. It is rather an oppurtunity to rise up and conquer ..."



Keith Peterson



Ryan Platt

"When you give your all, some stagger, some fall, it's not easy breakin through the wall."



Mark Plesha



Michael Podgurski

"Never Forget Your Roots."



Say Cheese!



Daniel Poe



Michael Prather



Ryan Prendergast





Asad Qaisrani

"We don't do it, we just have before."



Colin Rae

"Don't drink on weekdays."



David Reel

"Live your life like there is no tomorrow."



Lisa Roach

"Change is the period that comes where we grow the most."



Bryan Robison

"Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going."



Jeremy Rothchild

"Life is worthwile only while you are putting all your worth into your life; that's right! I'm a poet!"



Kyle Ruebel

"Stay here as long as you can. Cherish it. For the love of God."
"Eric? You're gonna give the company to Eric? Eric is a bad, bad man!



Carlton Russell

"All your base are belong to us"



Caitlin Ryder

"you can walk through life with your eyes closed, because you might miss the point."



Richard Sabo

"Smile. Life is too short to be mad about everything."

Teachers of the year

Which teachers will you miss after high school?

"Mr. Richardson" – Donna Shanks
"Mr. Martin" – Ashley Garcia
"Mr. Huber" – Malcolm Munroe
"Mrs. Mertens" – Darrell Cressler
"Mr. Steenson" – Heather Gertar
"Mr. Carlson" – Tina Traczuk
"Mr. Poynter" – Tim Usher



Alexander Safin

"I got nothin' to lose, and everything to prove."



Alena Sanchez



Richard Sassman

"Let's go golfing."

On the Radio

"My Humps" ~ Black Eyed Peas
"Dance, Dance" ~ Fall Out Boy
"Hung Up" ~Madonna
"Because of You" ~Kelly Clarkson
"Run It" ~Chris Brown
"Beautiful Girls" ~Sean Kingston
"Lovely Day" ~Bill Withers
"Hella Back Girl" ~ Gwen Stefani
"Call Diffrent" ~Kenna West
"Photographs" ~Nickelback
"Dirty Little Secrets" ~All American Rejects
"We Belong Together" ~Mariah Carey



Matthew Sawyer



Elizabeth Schmal

"What it is, Mona?... 254"



Kurt Schuzer

"Give me a place to stand and I will move the world."

seniors



Eric Seljan

"Yeah prolly school, I m gonna to sleep



Brent Semanick

"Me? Are you serious!"



Megan Serwacki

Megan Serwacki

"Generosity is giving more than you can, and pride is taking less than you need."



Nicholas Shreffler

Nicholas Shreffler

"I do what I want."



Steven Shurlow

Steven Shurlow

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Kathryn Simkus

Kate Simkus

"Life can't get any better than Baker's Square pie...MZW."



Bethany Kotynski

Bethany Kotynski, also known as "Beps," participated in many activities during her four years at Highland, including Student Council, Key Club, and National Art Honor Society. Her hobbies may be different from most other high school students' including baking, running, going to Purdue to see her boyfriend, and getting quitting random jobs.

During high school, "Beps" was also a part of the "inner circle," along with Liz Schmid and Derek Moser.

"My greatest inspiration during my high school career was Mr. Steenson." It seems like Beps had a very interesting experience at Highland.



Donna Smailis

Donna Smailis

"Nothing is a waste of time if



Scott Stamps

Scott Stamps



Michelle Stasi

Michelle Stasi



Suzanne Stinnett

Suzanne Stinnett

"Ich wohnte in das Heinatlosen friedhoff"



Adam Stipes

Adam Stipes

"Get down with the sickness."



Joshua Stivers

Joshua Stivers



Tiffani Stout

Tiffani Stout



Nicole Strazzabosco

Nicole Strazzabosco



Jonathan Summerlott

"Certainty of death, small chances of success ... well, what are we waiting for?"



Conrad Szklarz

"Don't let the past dictate your future, but let it become a part of who you become."



Robert Szymborski

"Life is like a box of chocolates..."



Kyle Techentin



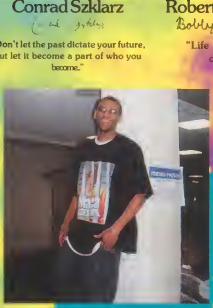
Jade Tessman

I always knew I would look back on my teen years and laugh, but never thought I'd look back on the laughs and cry.



Nike Textor

"When life gives you things to wrestle with just take the weight off your shoulders and take a nap."



UP CLOSE and personal

Henry Boyd

Henry Boyd, also known as Trey, was known at Highland as one of the most interesting people in the Senior Class. He participated in various sports including cross country and track. He was especially known for being one the most skilled dancers on Highland's hip- hop dance team, Ultimate Style.

After school and on weekends, you can find Trey dancing, listening to music, chilling with friends, and making PBJ's.

Aunt Bunny and Mr. Huber are two of Trey's biggest inspirations. "I'll never forget being in the 254 and dancing in the circles at dances."



Corydon Tomczak

"What a long, strange trip it's been."



Ryan Torrenga

"Skateboard accident + chopping with knife = pain pills."



Tina Traczyk

"Remember the greatest gift is not found in a store nor under a tree but in the hearts of true friends.



Kayla Travis

"I'm gonna laugh so you can't see me cryin'. I'm gonna let you go in style, and even if it kills me, I'm gonna smile."



Amanda Tuel



Kelly Turkevich

"There are people we treat wrong and later we're prepared to treat other people right."



Dragan Tzanetakos



Timothy Usher

"Nothing is EVER perfect!



Maureen Valle



Jonathan Velasco

A small hand will bail you out of jail, a best friend will be sitting next to you in the cell.



Jennifer Vuckovich

Jennifer Vuckovich



Robert Weishar

"Boom, boom, boom, Let me hear you say WAYOH."



Jason Wesolek

"Ever since I can remember, I've been poppin' my collar."



Natalie White

Natalie White

"To accomplish great things we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe."



Ashley Whitmore

ashley whitmore



Gregory Wiesemann

gregory wiesemann



Marceau Willis

Marceau Willis

No one can judge you unless you let them.



Andrew Wozniewski

Andrew Wozniewski

"Friends will bail you out of jail ... best friends will be sitting in the cell with you singing Akon."



Steve Zaborowski

"When what lies ahead is hard, don't be afraid to fail back. A good friend is always there."



Amanda Zahorsky

"Confidence is the companion of success."



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Best Eyes
Eric Meeder & Lisa Meadows



Best Smile
Derek Yoder & Caitlin Ryder



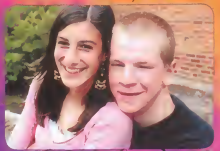
Best Dressed
Alex Safin & Ashley Fleishman



Most Likely to Become President
Greg Manus & Caitlin Ryder



Most Likely Never to Leave Highland
Matt Hanft & Katie Hoekstra



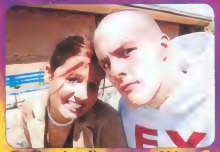
Cutest Couple
Ryan D[illegible] & Caitlin Gierzynski



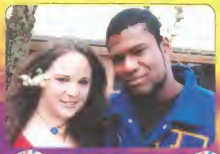
Biggest Flirt
Tim Usher & Joanne Diaz



Most Likely to Become Famous
Michael Moynihan & Amy Brack



Best Personality
Chris Thompson & Beps Kotynski



Most Artistic

Chris Mangan & Kelly Arnold



Most Confused?

Zach Kikalos & Carrissa Ashby



Most Likely Late to Graduation

Matt Sawyer & Jen Vuckovich



Biggest Mooch

Malcolm Munroe & Katie Hoekstra



Best Athlete

Andrew Hilmer & Conn Smallis



Best Hair

Jamo DelRio & Ashley Fleishman



Most Unique

Chris Hershman & Kelly Turkewich



Class Clown

Adam Mazzuga & Julie Nelson



Best Laugh

Brent Semanick & Kimmie Lindsey



Most Intelligent

Eric Nelson & Melissa Kriety



Biggest Gossip

Ian Ferguson & Megan Quail



Biggest Whiner

Jimmy Dempsey & Lauren Ferguson



Best Superfan

Ryan Krejci & Caitlin Gierymski



Biggest Suckup

Jimmy Dempsey & Tina Traczyk



Best Looking

Jon Velasco & Brianne Mahala

SENIOR directory

compiled by Lauren KING

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ADAMS, kelly: Choir 2-4, National Art Honor Society.
ADAMS, kelly: Choir, National Art Honor Society 1-4, Honors Diploma, Football 1-4, Basketball 2-3, Wrestling 1, Tutor 3, Who's Who Among American High School Students.
ALTIERI, ian:
ARROYO, george:
ASHBY, carrissa: Choir 1, Key Club 3, Honors Diploma, Mat Maids 2-4, Orchestra 1, Student Aides 3 (Mrs Merrick), 2 (Mrs. Ryzewski), Cheerleading 1-4.
ASIMONYE, florence:

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BARANOWSKI, amanda: Blood Drive 2-4, Student Council (Senior Vice President) 1-4, TREND 3-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Student Aide 2-4 (Office), Junior Varsity Softball 1, Bowling 1-4.
BARATH, ashley: Soccer 1, Operation RESIST 1-2, National Art Honor Society 4.
BARNES, amber: Softball 1-4, Basketball 1, Volleyball 1.
BARRIOS, christina: Choir 1-4, Key Club 2-4, Volleyball 1, Basketball 1, Softball 1.
BERKOS, ashlee: Blood Drive 2-4, Aide 3 (Office), Volleyball 1-2, Basketball 1-2, Softball 1-4.
BIANCARDI, jonathan: Japanese Club, Homecoming, Prom, Springcoming Court, National Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Student Aide 1-2 (Office), Student Aide 4 (Athletics), Cross Country 1-2, Basketball 1-4, Track 1-4, Baseball 1-2, Football 3-4, Soccer 3.
BIESEN, matthew: Science Olympiad 4, Chess Club 1-2, Fencing Club 3-4, Robotics Competition 3, Spanish Honor Society 2-3, Debate 1-4, Tennis 1-3.
BODNAR, lara: Blood Drive 3, Choir 2-3, Key Club 1-2, French Club 1-2, Honors Diploma, Student Aide 2 (Markley), Swimming 1-2.
BONHAM, melissa: Blood Drive, FCCLA 2-4, Japanese Club 1-2, TREND 1, Honors Diploma, Tennis 1.
BOYD, henry: Cross Country 3, Track 3, Hip Hop Dance Team 3-4.
BRACK, amy: Auditorium 1-4, Blood Drive 2, Choir 1-4, German Club 2-4, TREND 3-4, Homecoming Court 4, Student Aide 2-4, Theater 1-4, Jazz Choir 4, Madrigal 1-3.
BRECHNER, lauren: Band 1-4, Choir 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, German Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Theater 1-4 (Vice President 3), (President 4), Tutor 3-4, Winterguard 3-4, Marching Band 1-4, Jazz Band 1-4.
BROOKS, kathleen: Student Aide 3 (Mr. Hus).
BUJAKI, zachary: Key Club 1-4, Aide 1 (Wilson), Aide (Palmer), Swimming 1-4, Tennis 2-3.
BUTTS, steven:

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CAINS, ryan: Choir 1
CALARIE, michael: TREND 1-2, Keyclub 1-2, Soccer 1-4.
CAMALICK, hayley: Choir 1, Springcoming Court 1.
CARLASSARE, ashley:
CASHEN, alyse: Choir 1-2, Soccer 1-3, Yearbook (Shield) 4.
CHARBONNEAU, lauren:
CHEEK, timothy: Key Club 1-4 (Vice President 3-4), Spanish Honor Society 2-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Student Aide 3 (Mrs. Blair), Soccer 1-4, Tutor 1-4, Who's Who Among American High School Students 1-4, Honors Diploma.
CICHOCKI, bruce:
COMER, lauren: Honors Diploma, Student Aide 3-4 (Steenson).
COOPER, chad: Spanish Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Student Aide 4.
COX, danielle: Band 1-4, Key Club 3-4, French Club 1-3, Speech and Debate 3, Theater 1-4.
CRESSLER, darrell: Blood Drive 1-4, Student Aide 3 (Brum), 4 (Mertens).
CRIVELSTON, anthony: Blood Drive, Football 1-3.
CRIST, morgan:

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DAHLKAMP, brian: Band 1-4, Blood Drive 3-4.
DAVIS, marcus: Hip-Hop Dance Team 4.
DELRIO, jameson: Blood Drive 4, Choir 1-2, Basketball 3-4, Track 4, Theater 4.
DEMPSEY, james: Choir 3, Japanese Club 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Japanese Honors Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 3 (Guidance) 4 (Coach Miller), Football 1, Basketball 1, Baseball 1-4, National Honor Society Tutor.
DIAZ, janine:
DINGMAN, jessica:
DOBOSZ, michael: Science Olympiad 4, Japanese Club 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Japanese Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Debate 1, Aide 4 (Hunter) Cross Country 2, Swimming 2-4, Track 1-4.
DONSBACH, justin: Science Olympiad 3-4, Tennis 3-4.
DRAKE, andrew: Band 1-2, Spanish Club 3, Aide (Mrs. Sirota), (Mr. Steenson), Baseball 1-4.
DRAKE, ryan: Springcoming Court 1-2, Honors Diploma, Aide 1-4 (Principal), Basketball 1-4, Baseball 2-4, TREND 1. Operation RESIST 1.
DYKE, charles: Honors Diploma, Cross Country 1, Fencing Club 3-4.
DYKHUIS, michael:

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ECHLIN, michelle: Dance Team 1, Softball 1, Track 4.
ELLIS, gregory: Blood Drive, Japanese Club 1, Football 1-3.
ELLIS, katie: Orchestra 1-3, Swimming 1-4, Softball 1-3.
ENGLE, ashley: Choir 1-4, TREND 1, Hip Hop Dance Team 3, Aide 3 (Mrs. Kappes).
EWING, joshua: Football 4.

FABIAN, joseph: Aide 4 (Athletic Office) Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1-4.
FELKER, ryan: Band 1, Blood Drive, German Club 1, Aide 1.
FERGUSON, ian: Aide 3 (Main Office). 4 (Mr. Martin), Yearbook (Shield) 4.
FERGUSON, lauren: Student Council 1-4 (President 4), Class Officer 1-3, Choir 1, Key Club 1, TREND 1-2, Japanese Club 1-3, Gang RESIST, 1-3, Springcoming 1-2. Prom Commitee 3, Dance Team 1-4, Snowflake 1-4. Aide 2



(Bedka), 3 (Carlson), 4 (Govert), Tennis 1-2.

FIVECOAT, stephen:

FLEISHMAN, ashley: Blood Drive 2, Key Club 1-2, TREND 1-2, Springcoming 3, Prom Committee, Dance Team 1-4 (Co-Captain 3), (President 4), Snowflake 4, Aide 2 (Merrick), 3 (Office), 4 (Poynter and Govert), Student Council 1-2, 4, Student Goverment 1-4, Secretary 2-4.

FLORES, amanda: Choir 1-4, Spanish Club 4, Spanish Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 3 (Miss Flores).

FLORES, brittany: Blood Drive 3-4, Spanish Club 1-2, 4, National Art Honor Society 3-4, Spanish Honor Society 3-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Aide 3-4 (Steenson), Student Council 1-2, Soccer 3-4, National Honor Society Tutor 3-4, Bowling 1-3.

FLORES, jenise: Aide 3, Cheerleading 1-2, Key Club 1, Career Center 4 (Dental).

FOSTER, nicholas:

FRANEK, jennifer: Japanese Club 1-4, National Art Honor Society 4, Japanese Honors Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Speech/Debate 1.

FREDERICKS, aimee: Band 1-4, German club 2-4, Aide 4 (Dust), Color Guard 1-4 (Captain 3), Winter Guard 1-4 (Captain 4).

FUQUA, angela: Auditorium 4, FCCLA 2-4, Aide 4 (Huber), Theater 3-4.

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GARCIA, ashley: Blood Drive 2-4, Choir 3, Spanish Club 1-2, National Honor Society 3-4, National Spanish Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Bedka), Student Council 2-4, Volleyball 1-2, Basketball 1, NHS Tutor 3-4.

GENOVESE, melissa: Blood Drive 4, Soccer 4, Yearbook (Shield) 4.

GENTRY, brian: Football 1-4, Baseball 1-4, Basketball 1.

GEORGEFF, kara: Blood Drive 3, Key Club 1-2, Japanese Club 1-2, Turnabout Court, Prom Committee, National Honors Society 3-4, National Japanese Honor Society 3, Honors Diploma, Aide 2 (Guidance), 3 (Depta), 4 (Poynter), Soccer 1-4, Swimming & Diving 1, Yearbook (Shield) 4, NHS Tutor 3-4.

GIERYMSKI, caitlin: Blood Drive 4, TREND 1-2, Key Club 1-3, Prom 3, National Honors Society 3-4, French Honors Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Office, McCallister, Steenson, Carlson), Student Council 4, Soccer 1-4, Tennis 1-4, Basketball 1-2, Tutor 3-4, Snowflurry 1, Hoosier Girls State 3.

GLENN, brandi: Blood Drive 2-3, Choir 1-2, Sight & Sound 1-2, Aide 2 (Haley), Trojan Mascot 1-2.

GLOWACKI, anthony: Construction Processes, Career Center (Automotive Techology).

GORDON, anessa: Aide 4 (Hus), Cheerleading 1.

GORTAT, heather: German Club 1-4 (3-Vice President), (4- President), Key Club 3-4, National Honor Society 3-4, German Honors Society 2-4 (4-President), Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Steenson), Tennis 1, Indiana Association of Students of German 1-3.

GRIECHUNOS, jessica:

GROEN, thomas: Blood Drive 2-4, Aide 4 (Poynter), 4 (Canner), Wrestling 1-4.

GYURE, amy: Choir 1, Key Club 1-4, Aide 2 (Hus), 4 (Ryzewski), Swimming 1-4, Softball 1-2, Golf 4.

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HADDAD, robby: Blood Drive 3-4.

HAEHNEL, eric: Band 1, Football 1.

HALL, andrew: Honors Diploma, Aide 3 (Blair).

HAMEN, thomas: Theater 2-4, Honors Diploma.

HANFT, matthew:

HANSON, brett: Hockey 2-4.

HAYES, brandon:

HAYS, benjamin: Blood Drive 1-4, Soccer 1-3, Football 3, Career Center (Construction Trades).

HEATON, kevin: Auditorium 3-4, Key Club 3-4, Japanese Club 2-4, Japanese Honor Society, Aide 3-4 (Pena), Student Council 4.

HEERINGA, amanda:

HEINTZMAN, sarah: Choir 1-3, Spanish Honor Society 3, Aide 2-4, Theater 2.

HELMER, andrew: Homecoming 4, Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Office), Football 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1.

HERRERA, iriana: Softball 1-3.

HERSHMAN, christian: Sight & Sound 4, National Art Honor Society 3-4,





Yearbook (Shield) 4 (Photo Editor).

HOBBS, ronald: Band 1-4, Blood Drive 3-4, Sight & Sound 3-4, Prom Court, Homecoming Court, Prom Committee, Student Council 3-4, Bowling 1-4, Theater 1-4, Key Club 4.

HOEKSTRA, katie: Blood Drive 2-4, Choir 1-2, Prom Court (3-Prom Queen), Springcoming Queen 1, Aide 1-4 (Bedka), Volleyball 1-2.

HORNBACK, amanda: Band 1-4, Aide (Nurse), Tennis 1-4.

HORVATH, brittany: German Club 2, Softball 4, Volleyball 1.

HOWARD, kevin: Honors Diploma.

HUIZENGA, adam: Choir 4, Japanese Club 1-3, Basketball 1-4, Track 1-4.

HUSSEY, justin: Spanish Club 1, Aide 4, Football 1, Wrestling 3.

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IBARRA, edward:

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JASIN, david:

JELSKI, brian: German Club 4, National Honor Society 3-4, German Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Soccer 1-4, Golf 1-4.

JOHNSON, nicholas: Japanese Club 1-4, National Honor Society, Japanese Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Martin), Baseball 1.

JONES, andrew: Band 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, German Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Ward), Golf 1-4, Tutor 4, Jazz Band 1-4.

JONES, holly: TREND 4, Aide 4 (Wilson).

JONES, matthew: Key Club 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 3 (Ryzewski), 4 (Markley), Swimming 1.

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KACZMARSKI, justin: Blood Drive, Key Club 1, Baseball 1-4.

KALINOWSKI, benjamin: Blood Drive 3, Japanese Club 4, National Honor Society 3-4, Japanese Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 3-4, Tennis 2-4, Cross Country 1, Tutor 3-4.

KANE, kathryn: Blood Drive 2-4,Japanese Club 1-4, Homecoming Committee, Japanese Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Mazur), Student Council 2-4 (Vice President), Volleyball1-4, Basketball 2-4.

KHIEV, nancy:

KIEST, justin: Aide 2 (Martin), 4 (Mertens), Football 1-2, Baseball 1, Yearbook 4.

KITCHELL, brandon: Key Club 1, TREND 1, Spanish Club 1-2, Aide 2-4 (Athletic), Tennis 1-4, Track 1-4.

KLOBUCAR, james:

KOLBERT, timothy: Aide 3 (Martin), Football 1.

KOLLWITZ, jessica:

KONYAR, heather: Choir 4, Key Club 1-2, TREND 1-2, German Club 3-4, Dance Team 1-4 (Vice President-4), National Honors Society 3-4, German Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 3 (McCallister), 4 (Govert), Student Council 2, 4, Tutors 3-4.

KORNACKI, kristina:

KOTYNSKI, bethany: Blood Drive 3, Key Club 2-3, National Art Honor Society 2, Student Council 3,Yearbook (Shield) 2.

KREJCI, ryan: Choir 3, Tennis 2, Yearbook (Shield) 3-4.

KRISTY, melissa: Blood Drive 2-3, Key Club 2-4, Spanish Club 2-4, National Honor Society 3-4, National Art Honor Society 1-4, Spanish Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Guidance), 3 (Athletic), 3-4 (Steenson), Tennis 1-4, Volleyball 1-4, Tutor 3-4.

KUIPER, traci: Blood Drive 3-4, Choir 1-4, Spanish Club 4, Jazz Choir 4, National Honor Society 3-4, Spanish Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 1,2, 4, Aide 3 (Depta), 4 (Steenson), Student Council 3-4 (Secretary), Theater 2-4, (3-Historian), (4-Secretary), Yearbook (Shield) 2, Cross Country 4 (manager).

KUS, katherine:

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LAROCHE, sarah: Volleyball 1, Career Center 3-4 (Cosmetology).

LEBLANC, jennifer: Sign Language Club 4 (Secretary), Float Committee 2, National Art Honor Society 4, Honors Diploma, Aide 3 (Dora), 4 (Blumenthal), Volleyball 1, Tennis 2, Yearbook (Shield) 2-4 (Division/Ad Editor 4).

LEIMER, erica: 4 National Art Honors Society.

LEPUCKI, david: Choir 1-4, Aide 3,



Football 1-4.
LEROSE, nicole: TREND 1-2, Golf 1-4, Basketball 1, Theater 1.
LINDSEY, kimberly: Blood Drive 3, Key Club 2-3, Prom Committee 3, Homecoming Float Committee 3, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 4, Aide 2 (Guidance), 4 (Huber), Yearbook (Shield) 2-4 (Ad/Business Editor 3, Editor 4).
LITERA, daniel: Choir 1-4, Key Club 2-4, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 3-4, Football 1, Basketball 1.
LOPEZ, cynthia: National Art Honor Society 3-4, Aide 4 (Palmer).
LOPEZ, mia: Volleyball 1, Career Center 3-4 (Cosmetology).
LUBARSKI, rachel: Choir 1-4, Key Club 1-3, National Honor Society 2-4, Spanish Honor Society 2-4, National Art Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Lubarski).

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MAGURA, carly: Aide 3 (Friend).
MAHALA, brianne;
MAHLER, amy: Blood Drive 3, Choir 1-2, 4, Key Club 1-3, National Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Gavranic)
MAICHER, brandon: Debate 1, Track 3-4.
MANUS, gregory:
MARCZEWSKI, bridget: Blood Drive 3-4, Choir 1-4, Key Club 1-4, TREND 3-4 (President 3-4), Homecoming Committee 1-4, Prom Committee 2-3, Class of 2006 Committee 1-4, National Art Honor Society 2-4, Aide 2-4 (Markley), Student Council 3-4, Softball 1-2, Theater 1-4.
MARICH, derek: Japanese Club 1-4, TREND 1-2, Key Club 1, Japanese Honor Society, National Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Soccer 1-4, Basketball 1.
MARKUSIC, brett:
MARKUSSEN, thomas: Track 4.
MARTINEZ, lloyd:
MASON, dylan:
MASSEY, ryan:
MATIAS, julie: Choir 3, American Sign Language Club 4.
MCCARROLL, delana: Prom Committee, Student Council 1-2, Cheerleading 1-3 (Varsity Captain 2-3).
MCFARLAND, michael: Choir 4, Prom Court 3, Prom Committee, Honors Diploma, Aide 3-4, Tennis 1-3, Basketball 1-3, Baseball 1-4.
MEADOWS, lisa: Prom Committee 3, Honors Diploma.
MEEDER, eric: Blood Drive 3-4, Choir 3, National French Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, National Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Tennis 1-4.
MILLER, phil: Aide 2, Student Council 3, Theater 2, TREND 2-3, STAND 1, Yearbook (Shield) 2-4 (Photo Editor 4).
MONTES, alesandro: Football 1-4.
MONTES, benjamin: Blood Drive 3-4, Key Club 4.
MORGAN, sigmund: National Art Honors Society, Speech/Debate 1, Aide 4 (Szymanski), Football 1-4, Swimming 2-4, Track 1-4.
MOSER, derek: Honors Diploma, Aide 4, Football 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Baseball 1.
MOYNIHAN, michael: Spanish Club 4, Snowflake 1-4, Aide 2-3 (Blair), 1-2 (Guidance), 4 (Dust), Student Council 4, Cross Country 1-4, Track 1-4, Volleyball Manager 4.
MUNROE, maicolm:
MURRIAN, madelyn:
MUSIELAK, paul: Blood Drive 1-3, Key Club 4, National Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Guidance), Football 1-4, Baseball 1-3, Homecoming Float Committee 1-3.
NAPIWOCKI, ashley: TREND 1, Prom Committee 3, Aide 3 (Blair), 4 (Hus), Tennis 1-2, Theater 2.

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NEIDOW, matthew: National Spanish Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Aide (Guidance), Football 1-2, Wrestling 1, Baseball 1-3.
NELSON, eric: Blood Drive 3, Key Club 1-4, Japanese Club 2-4,Japanese Honor Society 2-4, National Honor Society 3-4, National Art Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Office), Football 1, Tutor 3-4.
NELSON, julie: Blood Drive 2-3, Choir 1-2, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 2, Aide 3 (Hus), 4 (Steenson), Student Council 2, Soccer 1-4, Softball 1.
NIKOLOPOULOS, william: Band, Aide.
NOWAK, rachel: Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Ryzewski), (Hus), Tennis 1-2.

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O'CONNOR, william: Football 1, Yearbook (Shield) 4.
OLIVARES, esteban:
ORTMAN, elizabeth: Blood Drive 3, Honors Diploma, Orchestra 1-3, Aide 2 (Guidance), 3 (Blair), 4 (Hus).
OSENKARSKI, stephanie: Concert Band 1-3, Jazz Band 2, Pep Band 3, Marching 4, Area Career Center.

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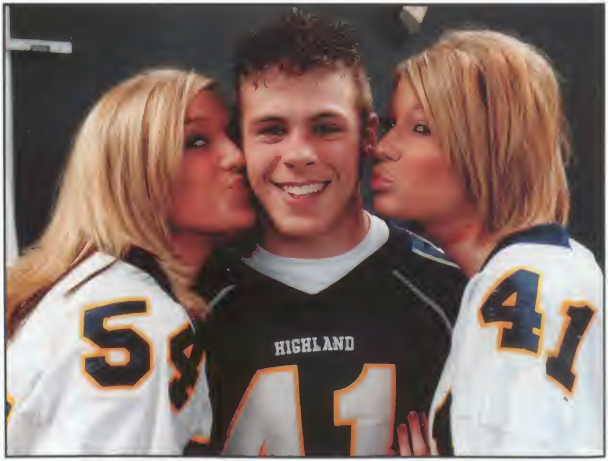
PANTALEO, megan:
PAYNE, daniel: Bowling 1-4, Honors Diploma.
PERRONE, lauren:
PETERS, daniel: National Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Golf 1-4.
PETERSON, keith: Football 1-2.
PLATT, ryan: Aide 3-4 (Ryzewski), Swimming 1-4.
PLESHA, marcus: Honors Diploma, Aide (Attendance), Soccer 1-4.
PODGURSKI, michael: Spanish Club 1-4, Spanish Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma.
POE, daniel:
PRATHER, michael: Blood Drive 2, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 1, Tennis 3, Golf 1.
PRENDERGAST, ryan:

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QAISRANI, asad: Honors Diploma.
QUAIL, megan: Snowflake 1-2, Aide 3-4, Basketball 1, Soccer 3, Track 1-4.

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RAE, colin: Football 1, Yearbook (Shield) 4.
REEL, david: Auditorium (President), Spanish Club 1, Key Club 1, Aide 3-4 (Pena), Football 1, Sight and Sound 4 (Vice President).
ROACH, lisa: Choir 1-4, Aide 2-4 (Taylor), (Markley), (Summers), Theater 1-4.
ROBISON, bryan: Aide (Attendance), Soccer 1-4.
ROCA, mayra: Aide 3, (Carlson). Spanish Club 1-3.





RODRIGUEZ, gino: Speech & Debate 4, Science Olympiad 4.
ROTHCHILD, jeremy: Band 1-4, (Jazz 1, Pep 1-4), Blood Drive 2-4, Key Club 3, Honors Diploma, GREAT 3.
RUEBEL, kyle: Blood Drive 2-4, Choir 1, 3, 4, Key Club 1-4, TREND 3-4, Springcoming King 2, Homecoming King 4, Snowflake 1-4, Aide 1-4, Student Council 4, Baseball 1-4, Tennis 2-3, Swimming 3-4, Bowling 2-3, Basketball 1, Theater 4, Yearbook (Shield) 4.
RUSSELL, carlton: Chess Club 1, Japanese Club 4, Japanese Honors Society, Speech/Debate 1-2, Fencing Club 4.
RYDER, caitlin: Blood Drive 2-4, Spanish Club 2, FCCLA 2, TREND 2-4, Homecoming Queen 4, Springcoming Princess 2, Prom Court 3, National Honor Society 3-4, National Art Honor Society 2-4, National Spanish Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Student Advisory Board 3-4, Aide 4 (Dora), Student Council 4, Theater 4, Tutor 3-4.

SABO, richard: Blood Drive 1, Student Council 1, Swimming 3, Aide 3 (Library).
SAFIN, alexander: Aide 2 (Hunter), Aide (Hojnicki), Soccer 1-4.
SANCHEZ, alena: Aide 3-4, Cheerleading 2-3, Wrestling Stats Girl 3-4.
SASSMAN, richard: Chess Club 1-2, Aide 3-4 (Library), Student Council 1, Football 2-4.
SAWYER, matthew: Football 1, Wrestling 1-2.
SCHMAL, elizabeth: Choir 1-2, Key Club 1-3, Prom Committee 3, Float Committee 3, National Honor Society 3-4 (Treasurer 4), French Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 4, Aide 3 (McCallister), 4 (Huber), Yearbook (Shield) 2-4 (Ad/Business Editor 3, Editor 4).
SCHUZER, kurt: Auditorium 1-4, Theater 1-2.
SCHWADER, kathryn: Key Club 1-2, Aide 4 (Guidance), Japanese Club 2.
SEGALLY, gregory:
SELJAN, eric: Blood Drive 4, Key Club 3-4, Football 1, Golf 1-4.
SEMANICK, brent: Blood Drive 2-4, Key Club 1-4, Spanish Club 3-4, TREND 1-2, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 2, Aide 1-2 (Office), 3-4 (Flores), Student Council 2-4, Class of 2006 Treasurer 4, Soccer 1-3.
SERWACKI, megan:
SCHREFFLER, nicholas: Blood Drive 1-4, Choir 2-4, Key Club 2-4, TREND 1-4, Springcoming Court 1, Prom Committee 3, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 1,2,4, Student Advisory Board 1-4, Aide 1 (Office), 2-3 (Athletic), 4 (Bookkeeper), Student Council 1-4, 3 (Vice President), Tennis 1-3, Yearbook (Shield) 3-4.
SHURLOW, steven:
SIMKUS, kathryn: Key Club 1-4 (Secretary), American Sign Language Club 4, Prom Court 3, National Honor Society 3-4 (Vice President), Spanish Honor Society 2-4, National Art Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 4, Aide 3 (Athletic), Soccer 1-4, Basketball 1-3, Yearbook (Shield) 3-4 (Photo Editor 4).
SMAILIS, donna: Blood Drive 3-4, American Sign Language Club 4, Homecoming Court 4, Prom Committee 3, National Art Honor Society 3-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 2, Aide 2-4 (Office, Guidance, Carlson), Student Council 4, Swimming 1-4, Soccer 1-4, Track 1, Yearbook (Shield) 4.
STASI, michelle: Aide 4 (Dust), 4 (Dora), Bowling 4.
STINNETT, suzanne:
STIPES, adam: Bowling 1.
STIVERS, joshua: Spanish Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma.
STJELJA, mladen: Aide (Miller), Basketball 1-2.
STOUT, tiffani:
STRAZZABOSCO, nicole:
SUMMERLOTT, jonathan: Choir 1-4, Chess Club 1-2, National Honors Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 3-4, Cross Country 1, Theater 2-4.
SWANSON, jacob:
SZKLARZ, conrad: TREND 1, Operation RESIST 1-2, Aide 3 (Athletic), Tennis 1-4.
SZYMBORSKI, robert: Honors Diploma.

TECHENTIN, kyle: Auditorium 1-4, Choir 1-4, TREND 1, Aide 4 (Markley), Theater 1,4, Area Career Center 3.
TESSMAN, jade: Aide (Mertens).
TEXTOR, nike: Blood Drive 2-4, Aide 3-4, Wrestling 1-4.
THOMPSON, joseph:
TOMCZAK, corydon: Band 1-4, Choir 4, Aide 3-4, Football 1-4, Track 4.
TORRENGA, ryan: Japanese Club 1-3, National Japanese Honor Society 2-3, National Honor Society, Honors Diploma, Aide 3 (Baez), 2 (Athletic), Tennis 1-4, Yearbook (Shield) 4.
TORRES, carissa: Hip-Hop Dance Team 3-4.
TRACZYK, tina: Japanese Club 1-4, Prom Court 3, National Honor Society 2-4, National Japanese Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 2 (Guidance), Aide 3-4 (Carlson), Volleyball 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Softball 1-4.
TRAVIS, kayla: Choir 2, Theater 1-2, Snowflake 2.
TUEL, amanda:
TURKEVICH, kelly: Orchestra 1,2,4, Snowflake 2, Aide 3-4.
TZANETAKOS, dragan: Honors Diploma, Aide 1-2 (Athletic), Tennis 1-4.

USHER, timothy: Blood Drive 3, Choir 4, Japanese Club 1-3, Aide 2-3, Baseball 1-4, Basketball 1-2, Cross Country 1.

VALLE, maureen: Choir 1-4, Jazz Choir 4, TREND 1, 2, 4, FCCLA 4, Prom Committee 2-3, Class of 2006 Committee 2-4, Homecoming Committee 2-3, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 4, Aide 4 (Mrs. Richardson), Tennis 1-2, Theater 1-3.
VELASCO, jonathan:
VERTA, ross: Aide (Mertens-4), (Office-1).
VUCKOVICH, jennifer: Blood Drive 2, Spanish Club 4, National Honor Society, 3-4, Spanish Honor Society 3-4, National Art Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Snowflake 1-3, Aide 2-4 (Guidance), Student Council 2, Soccer 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Track 1-4, NHS Tutor 3-4, Mentor 3 (Little Girls' Soccer).

WEISHAR, robert: Choir 3-4, Spanish Club 3-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Spanish Honor Society 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Blumenthal), Baseball 1-4, Basketball 1-2, Football 1, Tutor 3-4.
WESOLEK, jason:
WHITE, natalie: Soccer 1-4.
WHITING, david:
WHITMORE, ashley: Aide 4 (Hojnicki).
WIESEMANN, gregory: Aide 3-4, Baseball 2, Basketball 1-4, TREND 1-2.
WILLIS, marceau:
WOZNIEWSKI, andrew: Choir 4, Japanese Honors Society, National Honors Society, Honors Diploma, Aide 4 (Roggenbuck), Soccer 1-4, Basketball 3.

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NONE

ZABINSKI, derek:
ZADOROWSKI, steven: Blood Drive 3-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Athletic), Football 1-4, Basketball 1-2, Baseball 1-2, Track 1, Swimming 4.
ZAHORSKY, amanda: Blood Drive 3-4, Japanese Club 1-4, Key Club 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, National Art Honor Society 2-4, Japanese Honor Society 2-4, Honors Diploma, Aide 2-4 (Sorota), Student Council 3-4, Tennis 1-4, Volleyball 1-4, Tutor 3-4.
ZANFEI, ryan: Japanese Club 4 (Vice President), Dance Team 1, Soccer 1-2, Volleyball 3.



Class



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Juniors Class of 2007



Brittany Adler



Heather Allen



Timothy Amick



Michelle Andres



Courtney Antczak



Holly Armstrong



Mark Atchison



Patrick Augustyn



Briann Bailey



Julie Baker



Joanna Baldetti



Randall Baranowski



Stephanie Barath



Michael Barry



Lisa Becerra



Courtney Berry



Stephen Bienko



Lauren Biernacki



Blaine Blevins



Jason Bodamer



Robert Boehm



Jessica Borst



Katie Brackett



Nicole Brunn



Katherine Bukala



Jonathan Burgans



Angela Burgeson



Kurt Burkdoll



Douglas Bush



Sarah Cardenas



Joshua Cassoday



Jennifer Castillo



Domniq Catania



Michael Childers



Shane Cichocki



Amber Claus



Cassandre Conaway



Thomas Cordilla



Michael Cummings



Justin Cunningham



Kristina Deardorff



Amanda Debaer



David Debaer



Kristina Decker



Danielle Dewinter



Rachel Dian



Matthew Dillman



Jason Dills



Mileta Djakic



Nick Dovellas



Annie Downey



Kelli Downey



Glenn Durocher



Rebecca Dykhuisen



Felix Estrada



Erik Evans



Michelle Faught



Stephanie Felker



Danielle Ferree



Jordan Ferrel



Clayton Ferris



Daniel Ferry



Amy Fieldhouse



Keith Fisher



Sonia Formosa



Douglas Fritz



William Gall



Samantha Garcia



Molly Gardner



Daniel Garibay



Rachel Garza



Allyson Gauthier



Andrew Gauthier



Kyle Geffert

Abigail Gergely

Davin Goins



John Gonzalez



Natalie Gaalik



Kylee Gordan



Matthew Greichunas



Alexander Griggs



Juan Gutierrez



Danka Gvero



Elizabeth Haley



Keirri Hatmaker



Timothy Haughee



Alejandro Hernandez



Stephanie Hollings



Amber Holloway



Nicolette Howard



William Howe



Robert Huntoon

What's Your Story?



Kelly Downey

Kelly Downey loves to hang-out with her friends on the weekend. A unique fact about Kelly is that she has a twin by the name of Annie. Her favorite color is pink; her favorite movie is "Notebook;" and her favorite restaurant is the House of Kobe.



Megan Hutchinson



Nikki Ibarra



Leslie Ibartua



Jeremy Inman



Andrew Jackura



Sena Jacobs



Justin Jamieson



Crystal Jinkerson



Tara Jones



Daniel Kaczmark



Conrad Kerosky



Sarah Kiaunis



Lauren King



Stephanie King



Joshua Kiser



Matthew Kallada



Ryan Kondrat



Amy Kosior



Alex Kozial



Steven Krucina



Stephanie Kucsera



Alyssa Kuipers



Jody Kutscher



Steven Labuda



Breanne Laplante



Steven Larmon



Elizabeth Lasocki



Michael Lavric



Patrice Leska



Danielle Lewis



Ryan Lorance



Ryan Lowry



Sarah Lynch



Adam Maginot



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Elena Mecard



Jonathan McDillon









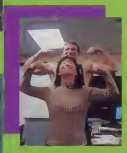
Cynthia McGowan



Colleen McMahon



Taylor Meier





Amanda Meister



Jason Melton



Nicholas Meyer

Class Stats

Class Size: 271

There are 6 girls with the name Sarah.
There are 9 guys with the name Michael
53 juniors own their own car.
There are 13 left-handed juniors.
6 juniors have a tattoo.
73 juniors said they have been in love.
12 juniors are the only child in their family.





Stephen
Michalson



Vaso
Michels



Lauren
Misner



Amanda
Moes



Amber
Molina



Brittany
Moore



Christina
Morales



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Morales



Trendon
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Daniel
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Gabrielle
Moser



Henry
Mura



Michael
Naglich



Kyle
Nelson



Sarah
Nelson



David
Obannon



Samantha
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Lauren
Oliva



Caleigh
Olszewski



Cristin
Olszewski



Melissa
Orr



Mindy
Pappas



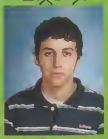
Kevin
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Kristina
Payne



Abraham
Pedroza



Jose
Perez



Brett
Pierce



Michael
Pilewski



Kenneth
Poppa



Melanie
Ramsey



Kevin
Randall



Jennifer
Rassel



Vanessa
Regnier



Katherine Reimer



Katy Richwalski



Kaitlyn Rincon



Rachel Rodriguez



Nathalie Rohling



Alicia Rosignol



Angela Ross



Rebecca Royse



Jordan Ryan



Chaunta Salas



David Samis



Joseph Scheeringa



Lucas Schiller



Lauren Schubert



Samantha Schuler



Erica Segal



James Seward



Carrie Sheaks



Adam Shimanek



Anthony Shultz



Thomas Silaj



Sean Skaggs



Alisha Smith



Elizabeth Smith



Paul Speakman



Daniel Spretnjak



Raymond Stasi



Brian Stepniewski



John Stiglitz



Mark Stok



Sarah Stovall



Aimee Summerlatt



Marcia Sytnik



Luke Szot





Valerie Theabald



Mallory Thomas



Charles Timko



Andrew Timm



Victoria Trujillo



Julianne Tuck



Jennifer Tucker



Jessica Tyler



Melissa Uylaki



Ashley Vuckovic



Brandi Wagoner



Candice Wantraba



Tanya Welbourne



Susan Williams



"You only live once, so have fun while you still can."

Michael Lavric

"One more year till it's all over!"

Tommy Cordilla





"I can't wait for college, but I'm a little nervous."

Rachel Dian



Colten Wilson



Megan Winkiel



Amanda Wojcik



Jordan Wojkovich



Kristyn Wolak



Corey Wolfe



Kristopher Wozny



Joshua Wright



Steven Wysocki



Anthony Young



Jane Zacny



Jose Zavala



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" I'm so excited to be a senior next year! "

Beth Haley

"The best ships on the sea are friendships."



Ilsa Morales

Class Officers



Conrad Kerosky
President
Activities: Vasity choir
"I really had fun planning with everyone."

Sena Jacobs
Vice President
Activities: Key Club, & Snowflake
"Planning for Prom was really exciting. Thank you for all of the opportunities."





Tara Jones
Secretary
Activities: Key Club, NHS, NAHS
"I really enjoyed it and I hope to run next year."

Andrew Gauthier
Treasurer
Activities: NHS, Student Council
"It's been fun helping out our class. Thank you."



Sophomores Class of 2008



Enrique Aceves



Thomas Alexanderson



Brian Altgilbers



Jessica Anderson



Jacob Arredondo



Eduardo Arrue



Ashley Arwood



Rachel Asher



Geoffrey Bach



Lucas Baker



Mallorie Baker



Sarah Baker



Rudy Baldetti



William Ballard



Joseph Balon



Andrea Bastasich



Mary Beda



Jordan Bedella



Michael Benko



Ashli Bennett



Ryan Berkas



Kristina Bewley



Alyse Bilka



Joshua Blade



Briana Blagojevic



Timothy Bloomer



Dillon Bocken



Stephanie Bodamer



Christopher Bodie



Kaitlin Booker



Danielle Borawski



Chasity Brewer



James Brickner



Emily Brokaw



Courtney Brown



Natalie Brown



Lindsey Brum



Matthew Bugajski



Michael Bujaki



Natalie Burgeson



Ashley Bussard



Jason Cains



Ashley Calarie



Garrett Camalick



Christopher Campbell



Paulina Campos



Amy Canham



Matthew Canner



Nathan Case



Christopher Cash



Michael Castilla



Lesa Colon



Jessica Comer



Jordan Compton



Derrick Condes



Joseph Cordilla



Cesar Cordova



Valentin Covarrubias



Julianna Craig



Kelly Crist



Melissa Crook



Michael Crook



Valarie Cruz



Mark Currie



Kyle Custer



Brandon Czalbowski



Brittany Damron



Robert Derengowski



Cole Devitt



Edoardo Dimichele



Diana Djakic



Garrett Donner



Holly Donsbach



Jamie Doolittle

Michelle Drysch

Jordan Duda



Kevin Duncan



Kyle Dunlap



Caryn Egan



Aimee Elias



Christine Engle



Nicole Erakovich



Christopher Erffmeyer



Samantha Estrada



Quentin Evans



Robert Feeman



Ashley Finke



Brittany Fiaravanti



Andrew Fletcher



Cortney Fogarty



Ryan Formosa



Louis Franka

What's Your Story?



Steve Rose is a wrester and footbal player Yo can often find a sack in the office with his name on it because he used to forget to bring it at least 2 times a week. he said. The best day of his life was surfing in California. He once blew his nose in an assignment he had just gotten back from his math teacher. It was the most rebellious thing he done. he said. and it was awesome!

Steve Rose



Peter Gabel



Anne Gallagher



Mark Gallas



Christopher Galvan



Gerardo Garza



Eric Gehrls



Joshua Gerling



Chelsea Gierymski



Derek Gains



Martin Gamez



Alexander Ganzales



Daniel Goodeve



Matthew Graegin



Leland Greenley



Colleen Griffin



Brittney Griggs



Nicole Gulich



Alyssa Gutierrez



Lindsey Gutierrez



Milos Gvero



Collin Hadley



Rachel Hamnik



Heather Harbin



Hollee Harbin



Jessica Hashu



Rebecca Haynes



Helen Hays



Meghann Hejmej



Kegan Hensley



Amanda Herman



Nicholas Hlavaty



Brittaney Horn



Crystal Huerta



Jonathan Jackamis



Jessica James



Tad Jameyfield



Antonio Johnson



Steven Johnson



Brooke Jones



Asia Jureczka



Jared Kaim



Erica Kelley



Nicole Kepler



Ashley Kikalos









Nicole Kirincic



Matthew Kiser



Stephanie Knesek





Katherine Kaonce



Kellyn Kastelich



Linsey Kremaric

Class Stats

- Class Size: 312
- 57 Sophomores have brown eyes
- 29% of sophomores have a sibling; 71 % don't
- Top 3 Favorite Subjects
 1. English
 2. Math
 3. Other
- Top 3 Fast Food Places
 1. Wendy's
 2. McDonalds
 3. Other





Kaitlin Kreis



Christopher Kroaswyk



Michael Labuda



Abigail Lee



Margaret Lelito



Ryan Lewis



Brian Lichtle



Ashley Lietz



Rebecca Likander



Casey Liston



Jacqueline Livingston



Brittany Lounsbury



Sarah Lowrie



Jonathan Lubarski



Joanna Luna



Ruby Luna



Joseph Lush



Nicholas Mahaney



Alex Maldonado



Denise Maldonado



Jacob Malsch



Devon Marsh



Jamie Martin



Raymond Mason



Nykki Massengill



Walker Matlon



Mitchel McGuire



Frederick McKinney



Robert McMahan



Matthew Mercer



Joshua Mielcarek



Joshua Minch



Michael Mireles



Nina Montanez



Meghann Mouratides



Adam Musielak



Mary Mysliwy



Brandon Nallenweg



Nicholas Naumoff



Ryan Needles



Leokadja Nowacki



Rachel Nuna



Jill O'Hara



Brendan O'Keefe



Brent Onda



Morgan Opalski



Daniel Orsag



Stacey Ortman



Steffanie Ortman



Thomas Pasyk



Andrew Pedraza



Andrea Pedraza



Philip Pena



Bailey Perryman



Jenna Peterson



Ilijana Petkovic



Andrew Pieri



Nina Pistalo



Laura Platt



Claudia Portillo



Ryan Postell



Kyle Prendergast



Rebekah Raveslaat



Stephan Regnier



Ashley Richmond



John Riffle



Oscar Rivera



Brittney Robertson





Jessica Rosa



Melissa Rosa



Steven Rose



Jennifer Rosalowski



Mark Ross



Samantha Rouse



Benjamin Safin



Christopher Salas



Yessenia Salinas



Amanda Sandoval



Vincent Santare



Nicole Saulters



Daniel Schapp



Amanda Schassburger



Ashley Schassburger



Kevin Scaleri



Nathan Segally



Mary Sickles



Bryanne Skalak



Natalie Smailis



Seth Smit



Ryan Smith



Kevin Stamps



Sarah Staninger



Alyssa Stanley



Elizabeth Stapke



Matthew Stark



Megan Staroscsak



Erin Stevens



Kristen Stinnett



Joshua Stone



Nathan Stram



Adam Strombeck



Carly Szabo



Christopher Thomas



Bennett Thompson



Dominique Tirado



Elizabeth Tombers



Cynthia Torres



Lauren Toth

Timothy Towasnicki

Joshua Tryon



Courtney Turner



Sandra Van Laningham



Andrew Vanderwoude



Erick Vargas



Ryan Vassar



Erika Vates



Amber Ventling



Amy Ver Wey



Nikola Vidovic



Leann Ward



Dana Wasson



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Extracurricular Activities: Soccer, Key Club, Student Council, Japanese Club
Quote: "If everyone refused to change the world would be a pancake."



Brooke Jones
Secretary
Extracurricular Activities: Soccer, Basketball, Track, NAHS, Student Council
Quote: "Don't judge a book by its cover"



Natalie Smailis
Vice President
Extracurricular Activities: Swimming, Tennis, Key Club, Soccer, Student Council
Quote: "We all live in the yellow submarine."



Billy Zuke
Treasurer
Extracurricular Activities: Soccer, Swimming, Key Club, NAHS, Student Council
Quote: "We're having a good year so far. I hope we can keep it up."

Freshmen Class of 2009


Alyssa Aguillon


Ciara Alamilla


Marko Alavanja


Leonardo Aldana


Martin Aleman


Christopher Almaraz


Trent Altieri


Coty Anderson


Rebecca Arredondo


Johnathan Bakas


Stephanie Baker


Joseph Baranowski


Sarah Bass


Christina Bellaso


Ryan Bement


Meagan Bence


Andrew Benne


Melina Bienko


Madelyne Bierman


Scott Blazek


Christina Boehm


Amilyssa Bolek


Danielle Borkowski


Alyssa Brooks


Tyler Brown


Raymond Bruno


Carolyn Brunt


Luxury Bryant


Laura Bukala


Skyler Bulla


Amanda Bush


Martha Bush


Shawn Cains


Heather Carpenter



Ashleigh Cash



Nadia Casner



Daniel Cebulskn



Rebecca Chant



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Ivy Christ



Monica Chun



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Jessica Claus



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James Cressler



Lyndsey Crowley



Charles Curran



Michael Dainton



Chelsey Daniel



Stephanie Deboer



Samantha Dewinter



Jeremie Dills



Irene Dimitrakalis



Rene Dominguez



Austin Dooley



Brittany Drach



Danielle Drake



Patrick Drennan



Miranda Drudge



Brittany Eder



Katie Elish



Mark Ferree



Samantha Ferry



Alexa Fett



Richard Fisher



Theodore Flores



Daniel Fugua



Elliot Gabel



Sara Gaffney



Jessica Galinski



John Garcia



Natalie Garza



John Geringer



Samantha Ghirda

Stefan Gibson

Joel Ginn



Isaac Gordon



Jordan Graf



David Greear



Robert Gregory



Breanna Gresser



Melinda Griffith



Cassandra Gronendyke



Pedro Guerrero



Steven Gust



Timothy Gyure



Kyle Hadley



David Halas



Margaret Haley



Samantha Hall



Khala Hands



Ashley Haney

What's Your Story?



Grace Kerber

Grace Kerber enjoys playing soccer. She is 15-years-old. Her favorite color is "Electric Lemon." When she isn't in school, she's "chillaxin" at home with her friends -- if it's not with them, then she's with her boys.



Daniel Harrington



Brandon Heacock



Whitney Heacock



Kelsey Helmer



Angela Henderson



Nicole Hernandez



Amber Hill



Sean Hillier



Keith Hojnicki



Donald Holifield



Charles Horsley



Laura Horsley



Bryon Houchin



Trevor Howard



Nicolette Hrej



Joshua Hurst



Samantha Iliff



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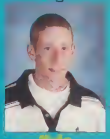
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Laplante



Latham



Lee



Lelyga



Letts



Lewis



Leyba



Long



Lopez



Lubarski









Hershman

Class Stats

Class Size: 242
Number of Freshmen who favor the color blue: 72
Number of Freshmen who want to be doctors: 97
Number of Freshmen who have not been on an airplane: 29
Number of Freshmen females who have dyed their hair: 28





Sean
Maicher



Alyssa
Malecki



Kristin
Malinowski



Danielle
Manoich



Jonathon
Markovich



Caryle
McAvoy



Jeremy
McCarty



Nicole
McFarland



Kirk
McGuire



Ryan
McLean



James
McNair



Van
McNeil



Brittany
Metzen



Michael
Mileusnich



James
Moore



Christopher
Morris



Ashley
Mosca



Nicholas
Mouratides



Dennis
Moynihan



Jessica
Munsie



Nicole
Nallenweg



Jeff
Natelborg



Jacob
Nauracy



April
Nelson



Valorie
Nelson



Megan
Nee



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O'Connor



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O'Donnell



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Padilla



Kelsey Paluch



Matthew Parkhurst



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Nichole Perez



Sean Perez



Anthony Perez



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Christopher Phipps



Justin Phipps



Charles Podgorny



Alexandra Polk



Roberto Ponce



Lisa Pruitt



Nathan Puchek



Kara Puntillo



Fatima Qaisrani



Christina Quinn



Jonathan Rada



Alexandra Rahn



Christopher Rataczak



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Cecilia Robles



Jillian Ronayne



Colin Ronschke



Sean Rosing



Joshua Ross



Joshua Rothchild



Jessica Rudloff



Christopher Ruebel



Stephanie Ruman





Scott Rush



Giovannie Salazar



Lesley Sampson



Sara Sanchez



James Schubert



David Schusteric



Richard Schwartz



Brittney Semanick



Michael Shelton



Dustin Shurlow



Michael Sickles



Heather Sills



Pierre Simmons



Katie Sitzes



Elizabeth Sjoquist



Joel Smith



Melissa Smith



Troy Smith



Victoria Smith



Maryam Sobuh



Michal Stahl



Joseph Stiglitz



Dragan Stjelja



Kyle Stovall



Joel Sullivan



Brandi Swafford



Rory Swafford



Matthew Sytnik



Lauren Szczepanski



Ashley Szymborski



Katherine Theobald



Patrick Theobald



Valentino Trevino



Ryan Trgovich



Dustin Tucker



Jennifer Tuel



Cassandra Turner



Katherine Turaci



Johnathan Tyler



Jeremy Tymm

Ryne Urban

John Valocik



Jordan Vanderbuegh



Alyssa Vanderwaude



Alexandria Vandiver



Ethan Van Til



Matthew Van Vassen



Christopher Varnau



Jeremy Vates



Jessica Verta



Kaitlin Vianello



Meagan Vianello



Nicole Vincent



Mitchell Vis



Andrew Vrabel



Michael Vulkovic



Callum Walker



Morgan Walker



Ashley Walsh



Dominic Washington



Ethan Welman



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Taylor Wilson



Jordan Yuhan



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"I enjoy being President because of my last name."

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Vice President
"I wanted to be Vice President so I could meet new people."





Katie Elish
Secretary
"I wanted to be Secretary so I could help out my class."

Sami Ferry
Treasurer
"I wanted to be Secretary so I could help raise money for our class."



Only two seconds left. The final heat. The last lap. The fourth quarter. The last inning

The crowd is on its feet, standing with anticipation. Everyone's holding their breath and hearts have stopped. For the fans, these are the most crucial two seconds of the game.



ROOT

Sports are more than just those exciting moments when the game is on the line. They provide an opportunity for athletes to develop discipline and inner strength. Teamwork and creativity are some other benefits that sports can offer. Sports bring our school together for a common goal. Whether it's playing for a championship team, defeating a rival, or supporting an injured player, the bonds of sports go way beyond the athletes. Sports have helped create friendships throughout the school in this small peace of our lives.




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Results

Football

Wheeler	W 41-7
Merrillville	L 47-0
Munster	W 22-7
Hobart	L 14-0
Hammond High	W 14-7
Griffith	L 71-0
Andrean	L 32-0
Hammond Morton	W 31-14
Lowell	L 41-14

Sectional

Hobart	L 24-21

Shining through


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Andrew Helmer: The Trojans' senior quarterback had a great season. Unfortunately, he suffered a concussion during a game midway through the season against Hobart. Consequently, without Helmer, the team struggled mightily on offense. But with Helmer in the lineup, Highland was capable of beating virtually any team in the area. Anxious to return, Helmer quarterbacked the Trojans to an upset win against Hammond Morton. In the opening round of the sectional, his leadership was important as well as his athleticism. Highland's season ended against Hobart in that game, but surely Helmer and his teammates gave it their best effort.

by Ryan Massey & Anthony Creviston



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HIGHLAND VARSITY FOOTBALL

(Front Row) Tony Trichak, Tom Biancardi, Gerry DeBecher, Josh Blade, Chris Salas, Garrett Cowdrick, Ryan Swirtz, JT Garza, Brian Lichte, Brendan O'Keefe, Alex Montes, Ed Dwichek, (Second Row) Randy Baranowski, Jay Silas, Phil Fabian, Brandon Hollenweg, Dan Szramiak, Matt Hanft, Jacob Mosch, Mike Morales, Mike LaBuda, Steve Rose, Dawn Sorin, Bryan Wasserman, Brent Drda, (Third Row) Vase Michels, Jody Kirscher, Matt Kolada, Adam Muskelak, Jake Amendarido, Rich Sassman, Joey Lushbaugh, Martinez Davies, Watson, Tony Tavarez, Phil Piana, Chris Morgan, (Fourth Row) Coach Havens, Cesar Cordova, Val Coumbias, Steve Zaborowski, Dave Lapuchi, Ryan Kendrat, Tom Shultz, Josh Ewing, Asst Wash, Gary Domer, Adam Strayback, Coach Swyers, (Fifth Row) Manager Mike Vaglich, Coach Miller, Coach Koulianos, Paul Muskelak, Andrew Walker, Brian Gentry, Josh Kiser, Derek Messer, Dan Amari, Coach Bachynski, Coach Walker


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Big Save

Andrew Helmer drops back to pass against Munster in the annual "Battle of the Bridge."

Trench Battle

Highland's football team knows that it's important to control the line of scrimmage.


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Eruption

Glenn Durocher gets a pep talk from Coach Bachynski before a crucial play.

Game Face

Senior Matt Hanft gets pumped before returning to the field.



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Football

Trojans win 'Battle of the Bridge'

The Highland varsity football team, all things considered, had a solid season. However, there were stretches in the season where the team, which was plagued by injuries, took some serious beatings, especially against defending Class 3A state-champion Andrean and Class 3A top-ranked Griffith. The team's lack of experience definitely showed, too, against Class 5A powerhouse Merrillville.

Highland was led by several returning seniors, including Andrew Helmer, Derek Moser, Lloyd Martinez, Dave Lepucki, and Matt Hanft. Those seniors helped lead the Trojans to their second consecutive 'Battle of the Bridge' victory over rival Munster. Another important win was recorded against Hammond Morton.

"I feel we went down fighting," Helmer said. "That's all I can ask for."

by Ryan Massey & Anthony Creviston

"We struggled at times, but I feel we went down fighting and that's all I can ask for."

- senior, Andrew Helmer





Endurance

Senior Midfielder Martin Gierzynski dribbles the ball down the field for a goal.



Effort

Sophomore goalie Stephanie Badauer leaps for a ball during a game earlier in the season.



Troians have exceptional season

Girls' Soccer

"We had the talent, but things just didn't go our way."

- senior, Babe Simkus

Tears streamed down the faces of Highland's varsity girls soccer players after a tough 2-1 overtime loss to Lake Central in the sectional semifinals.

The reality of a final year together hit the team hard. Both the upper and lowerclassmen pushed themselves extra hard to make the season memorable. It ended with an 8-7-1 record. There were many highlights, however, the loss in the team's final game was especially disappointing.

"This year our focus was on making it out of sectionals," senior Babe Simkus said. "We had the talent, but things just didn't go our way."

Simkus was unable to play in the sectionals because of a broken leg that required surgery.

Even though the season meant goodbye for 11 seniors, it means hello to a bright young team that is certain to be successful.

by Kara Georgeff, Donna Smaltz, & Melissa Genovese



Results

Varsity Girls' Soccer

Lake Central	L 3-1
Crown Point	L 2-1
Hammond Gavit	W 10-0
Portage	T 1-1
Griffith	W 7-2
Merrillville	W 2-0
Munster	W 1-0
Lafayette Jeff	W 2-1
Andrean	W 2-1
Chesterton	L 4-0
Kankakee Valley	L 3-1
Concord	L 2-1
Hobart	L 4-0
S.B. Riley Tourney	W 3-0, L 1-0
Hammond Clark	W 10-0
Sectional	
Hanover Central	W 9-0
Lake Central	L 2-1

Striving through



Ever since Kara Georgeff was very young, she wanted to be a soccer player. She made her dream a reality when she started her high school career as a starting forward her freshman year, and the rest is history. As a senior she was the leading goal scorer, a captain, and a major asset to the team. "This year was so memorable," she said. " Everyone played so well in the L.C. game, and no one should have any regrets. I really wish the outcome would have been different but I'm still really proud of everyone." Next year she will be attending the University of Southern Indiana on a scholarship to play soccer.



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Highland Girls' Soccer

Front Row: Melissa Samaniego, Tammy Mcllwain, Carrie Georgeff, Kenzie Crist- Kara Georgeff- Dianna Shults, Blake Sykes, Brianna Kenzie, Deanna Row: Tiffany Kathe Theresa Simmons, Renee, Mike Mason, Marissa Myers, Amanda Rush, Meghan Neumeister. Third Row: Kelsey Mary Frances Riddell- Paige Deanna Van Deusen, Brooke Mackey, Marissa Smith, Alyssa Bliss, Alexis Neumeister. Fourth Row: Carrie Riddell, Renee Baumgartner, Brittany Swanson, Brianna Grasser, Alyssa Brittney, Danielle Hanson, Grace Kenzie Theresa Siemsen (Back Row) Coach Samson Walker, Ida Mason, Mathew Livingston, Marissa Shults, Stephanie Bessinger, Steve Jones, Amy Zuke, Francesca Annadono, Coach Courtney Grotas.



Tough

The seniors pose for a quick "tough guy" picture during halftime on Senior Night.

Strong

Sophomore defender Brooke Jones steals the ball during a scrimmage earlier in the season.

Results

Boys' Soccer

Hammond Morton	W 9-2
Munster	W 2-1
Lake Central	L 2-1
Chesterton	L 6-0
Kankakee Valley	W 2-1
Valparaiso	L 5-0
Griffith	W 6-0
Wheeler	W 10-2
South Bend Classic	
S.B. St. Joseph's	*L 3-1*
S.B. Clay	*Tie 2-2*
Hobart	W 4-2
Lowell	L 1-0
Portage	L 2-0
Crown Point	W 2-0
Hammond Noll	W 2-0
Andrean	L 2-1
Sectional	
Hammond Clark	L 3-1

Shining through



Hershman

Brian Jelski: This senior dominated as a starting goalie on Highland's varsity boys' soccer team. He had been a member of the team since his freshman year, so his experience was a key to the team's season.

"Jelski was such a good goalie that we knew we could count on him when the ball gets back there," teammate Andrew Wozniewski said.

Jelski's leader ship on and off the field earned him the team's Most Valuable Player award. Much of the team's success could be credited to his play.

by Brittany Miles, Kara Georgeff, & Donna Smaltis



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Highland Boys' Soccer

(Front Row) Dillon Backer, Barry Sofin, Walker Morton, Danny Moynihan, Zack Lubarski, Billy Zika, (Row 2) Brian Jelski, Alex Sofin, Luke Schiller, Matt Buggish, Josh Kiser, Joey Shiltz, Rudy Baldetti, Andrew Herr (Row 3) Mark Plesha, Derek Marich, Mike Palone, Andrew Wozniewski, Tim Cheek, Bryan Robson, Jason Wasolek. Not Pictured: Miles Guerra.



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Going for the Goal

Derek Marich attempts to steal the ball and get a shot on goal.



Battle it Out

Sophmores Rudy Baldetti dribbles through two players from the opposing team.





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Battle for the Ball

Benji Sofin battles his defender for possession of the ball.



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Simkus

Team Unity

Alex Sofin's teammates congratulate him after he scored a goal for Highland.

Boys' Soccer

Trojans benefit from season's learning experience

The Highland varsity boys' soccer team finished with an 8-8-1 record, which is mighty good considering that the team was relatively young and inexperienced.

At different times during the season, Highland played like an established, veteran team. But on other occasions, the Trojans' inexperience showed and frequently led to several losses.

Injuries also prevented Highland from reaching its full potential.

"Even through injuries and a tough schedule, we had a successful season," senior Jason Wesolek said. "It was a great experience, and I'm sure the younger players will be able to reflect back on it in the years to come."

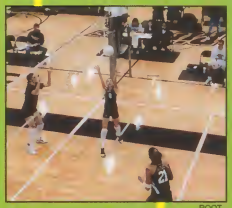
by Brittany Miles, Kara Georgeff, & Donna Smaltis

"Even through injuries and a tough schedule, we had a successful season once we got going."

- senior, Jason Wesolek



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Simkus





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Cheese

Several seniors pose for a picture before the game.



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Concentration

The back row, consisting of Rachel Dian, Katie Brackett, and Carrie Sheeks, prepare themselves for their opponent's serve.



Volleyball

Trojans finish with strong record

"Our team got along like a family. We all played really well and better than we expected."
- senior, Tina Tracayk

Highland's varsity volleyball team fought for everything they got this season.

Togetherness, along with hard work and dedication, carried the team. Highland posted an impressive record in a season which featured many joyous moments.

"We all played so awesome and the coaches made it real fun," senior Katie Kane said. "It was a great year, from the home game wins to the tournaments."

Highland's season, however, was cut short at the sectional. The Trojans defeated Lake Central in the opening round, which, of course, was a source of great pride, but they were then eliminated in the semifinals against Lowell.

by Ian Ferguson, Ryan Torrenga, & Kyle Ruebel



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Results

Varsity Volleyball

Crown Point	W
LaPorte Invite	L W W W
Lake Central	W
Michigan City	L
Hammond High	W
Lake Station	W
Kankakee Valley	W
Chesterton	L
Calumet	W
T.F. South	W
Munster	L
Hammond Clark	W
Hammond Morton	W
Portage	W
Lowell	L
Hammond Gavit	W
Wheeler	W
Merrillville Invite	3rd
Griffith	W
Andrean	W
Highland Invite	5th
Hammond Noll	W
Hobart	W
Illiana Christian	W
Sectional	
Lake Central	W
Lowell	L

Shining through

Katie Kane dominated for the Highland varsity volleyball team at middle hitter and as a blocker.

Kane says she enjoys the opportunity to receive a set near the net where she can use her height and leaping ability to drive a spike home for a score. She was so effective at doing this that she ranked 14th in the state in kills.

Kane certainly played a huge role in many of the team's victories, which included two wins against Lake Central.

"It's going to be very hard to leave a team that I have bonded with so well," she said.





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Highland Varsity Volleyball
(Front Row) Alyanad Zaharsky, Rachel Dian, Melissa Krstity, Angela Burgason, Amanda Schassburger, Ashley Schassburger, Katie Brackett. (Back Row) Coach Becky Hunt, Jen Rassel, Katie Kane, Amy Van Wey, Tina Tracewyh, Coach Rachel Gerwin, Coach Ryan Sawyers.



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Dig Deep

Rachel Dian makes a remarkable dig to keep the ball in play.

Bump it Up

Katie Brackett prepares herself for a bump.

Results

BOys' Tennis

Valparaiso	W 4-1
South Bend Clay	W 3-2
Merrillville	W 5-0
Lake Central	W 4-1
Lowell	W 3-2
Griffith	W 5-0
Calumet	W 5-0
Munster	L 4-1
Crown Point	W 4-1
Andrean	W 4-1
Hammond Gavit	W 5-0
Kankakee Valley	W 5-0
Merrillville Invite	1st
Chesterton	W 5-0
Hobart	W 5-0
Sectional	
Gary West Side	W 5-0
Calumet	W 5-0
Regional	
Crown Point	W 3-2
Munster	L 5-0

Shining through



Miller

Danny Tzanetakos: This senior played No. 1 singles and amassed a 17-2 record.

"I feel good about having a solid season my senior year," he said.

Tzanetakos says he plans to continue to play tennis in college. However, he admits that playing for Highland and being a part of the team was very special.

"I will never forget my years playing tennis at Highland," he said. "I hope the team does very well next season."

Much of Highland's success can be attributed to the play of Tzanetakos.

by Ryan Krejci



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Highland Boys' Tennis

(Front Row) Coach Swanson, Brett Pierce, Michael McFarland, Geoff Bach, Brandon Kitchel, Michael Bujok, Justin Dorsbach, Coach Trina, Coach Baez. (Middle Row) Ben Kalinowski, Ryan Tomanjo, Eric Meader, Kevin Parisa, Paul Speckhuin, Christ Ubezy, Michael Childers. (Back Row) Danny Terry, Danny Tzanetakos, Zach Khalas, Richard Schwartz, Conrad Szklarz, and Michael Prather.



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Tough

Danny Tzanetakos follows through on a backhand.



Return Game

Conrad Szklarz prepares to return a serve.





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Together

The team huddles for a motivational speech before their match.



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Volley Time

Brandon Kitchell shows his ability to play the net.



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Boys' Tennis

Trojans capture sectional championship

The varsity boys' tennis team compiled a 17-2 record and were led by No. 1 singles player Danny Tzanetakos.

"As a team, we had a tremendous year," said Tzanetakos, who lost just two matches the entire season.

Another strong performer was Brandon Kitchell, who was sidelined a portion of the season after having eye surgery.

"It was a disappointing ending," Kitchell said. "But this is the best team I've been a part of."

Highland's season ended in the regional final against Munster, which also defeated the Trojans during the regular season.

by Ryan Krejci

"This was the best team I've been a part of."

- senior, Brandon Kitchell



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Relaxing

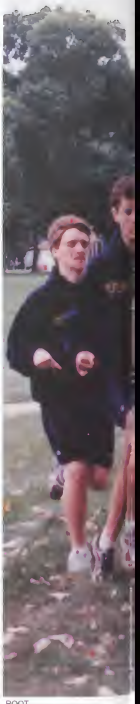
Sophomore Tad Jaworfield and junior Alex Hernandez discuss the race.



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Working Hard

Sophomore Seth Swift paces himself over the 3 mile course.



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Running with the Pack

"There are always going to hard days. If you work had, it's going to be tough on your body."

– junior, Mike Djokic

Boys' Cross Country

Running and the sport of cross country teaches many valuable life lessons. If you don't think so, then spend some time with Coach Carlos Aburto.

"It gives direction to young men," he said. "They find out about themselves, not only physically, but mentally."

Coach Aburto, in his 6th season of guiding the Trojans, said he was very proud of the tremendous team effort that was put forth by the runners.

Cross Country, of course, requires commitment and dedication. Training for the season actually begins during the hot summer months and progresses into the season where "long" runs are important to build stamina for the grueling 3.1-mile race.

Evidently, all of the hard work paid off as Highland advanced to the regional meet with a very young and inexperienced squad. The team's sights are set even higher next year.

by Katy Richwalski & Alicia Rosignol





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Warming Up

Several runners warm up and familiarize themselves with the course before the meet.

Endurance

Senior Greg Manus turns it on as he nears the finish.

Results

Boys' Cross Country

Crown Point	L
Munster	L
Lowell	L
East Chicago Central	W
Gavit Invite	*7th*
LAC @ Andrean	3rd
Andrean	L
Munster	L
Lowell	L
LAC @ Wheeler	6th
New Prairie Invite	*35th*
Highland Invite	*9th*
Andrean Invite	*8th*
LAC Championships	**6th**
Sectional	**4th**
Regional	**9th**

Shining through



Hershman

Michael Moynihan: This senior was a key runner for Highland boys' cross country team.

As a consistent member of the team's top five runners, Moynihan achieved a personal-best time of 17:16 over 3.1 miles.

Moynihan plans to attend Purdue University (Lafayette) next fall and major in health sciences.

He said the team saved their strongest performance of the season at the sectional.

"At sectionals, all the guys ran as a pack," Moynihan said. "We showed the competition who we were."

Employing that strategy and showing that type of balance helped Moynihan and his teammates to a fourth-place finish at the sectional and qualified them for the regional meet.

by Katy Richwalski & Alicia Rosignol



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Highland Boys' Cross Country
(Back Row) Coach Carlos Aburto, Seth Suit, Steven Johnson, Todd Taylor, Field, Michael Moynihan, Coach Ellie Dust (Front Row) David Schustaric, Alex Hernandez, Greg Manus, Kyle Dunlap, Kevin Sosko. Not Pictured: Dan Meier, Mike Dykic, Thomas Markusson, Justin Cunningham, Tau Christ

Results

Girls' Cross Country

Gavit Invite	8th
Andrean	L
Whiting	W
Wheeler	W
T.F. South Invite	9th
Andrean	L
Lowell	L
Munster	L
LAC RoundRobbin	4th
New Prairie Invite	36th
Highland Invite	8th
Andrean Invite	5th
LAC Meet	4th
Sectional	**3rd**
Regional	**7th**

Shining through



Hershman

Natalie, Goalk: This junior was focused and determined all season, and it showed. She placed second in sectionals and in regionals, and third in conference.

"I thought that the freshmen really stepped up. It would've been cool to make it out of regionals, but that just gives us something to strive for next year. I always see everyone when I am running on the weekends."

Next year she plans on being a team leader, and hopefully leading the team to victory. She thanks her mother and sister for all of their support. Goalk capped her season by advancing as an individual to the semistate meet.

by Malcolm Munroe, Alyse Cashen, & Justin Keist



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Highland Girls' Cross Country

Row 1: Stephanie Ticker, Nickolette Howard, Andrea Pedraza, Christina Ballosa, Heather Carpenter, Natalie Goalk. Row 2: Katie Turco, Alyssa Aguilar, Missy Rosa, Tom Teal, Amy Lanham, Christina Morales, Nikki McFarland. Row 3: Tessy Rosa, Debra Kovacs, Diana Dipsic, Valerie Theobald, Danka Guerra, Coach Carlos Aburto, Coach Ellie Dust



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Running Tough

Junior Val Theobald sets a fast pace.



Run Like the Wind

Junior Nickolette Howard leads a group to the finish line.





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All in a Row

The girls prepare for the big meet by doing a warm-up run.

Double Trouble

Christina Bellosa and Nikki McFarland staying strong together through the race.



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Girls' Cross Country

Girls' Cross Country Has a good season

The Highland girls' cross country season this year was a good one.

As a team, Highland advanced to the regional meet, and they gave it their all during the course of the season.

"The girls really gave it all they had," junior Val Theabald said. "We trained hard and ran even harder."

The team was led by junior Natalie Gaalik, who was one of the more dominant runners in the area. She accomplished a great deal during the season, including advancing to the semistate as an individual while also participating in girls' soccer.

As far next year, this group can hardly wait for the season to begin.

by Malcolm Munroe, Alyse Cashen, & Justin Keist

"The girls really gave it all they had. We trained hard and ran even harder."

- junior, Val Theabald

Results

Merrillville	L 43-42
Gary West Side	L 54-37
Hammond Gavit	W 60-27
Portage	W 46-35
Lake Central	W 60-50
Calumet	W 65-28
Kankakee Valley	W 46-37
Valparaiso	L 32-19
Wheeler	W 40-28
Whiting	W 63-34
Hobart	W 46-36
Munster	L 48-39
Munster	L 47-37
Hammond High	W 58-37
Hammond Noll	W 63-35
Andrean	L 47-42
Chesterton	L 40-29
Hobart	W 49-31
Lowell	L 47-32
Wheeler	L 45-37
Griffith	W 38-34
East Chicago Central	L 52-36
Sectional	
Munster	L 53-34



Drive!

Senior Tina Traczyk goes strong to the hoop in a game against Chesterton.



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Shining *through*

Jen Vuckovich: Over the course of the year, this senior has improved remarkably. She honed her skills and became an asset to the varsity team. She was a three-sport athlete at Highland.

"My last year of basketball was really rewarding," she said, adding, "I was really glad to be a part of this talented team."

Next year she plans to attend Purdue University Lafayette to study engineering. Free time is devoted to shopping, and she likes to go to the movies and play miniature golf.

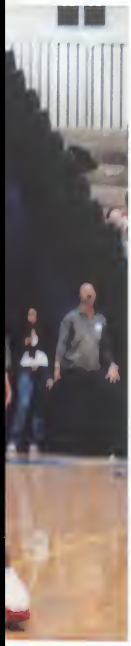


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Show Your Colors!

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A few of the girls on the basketball team and Coach Urban show their support at a Highland Boys' game.



Girls' Basketball

Highland inspired to "winning" season

The Highland varsity girls' basketball team started off the season with high expectations.

The team developed and grew as they worked together, and everything appeared headed in the right direction, that is, until Highland was faced with some difficult challenges. One major setback occurred when sophomore point guard Liz Stapke suffered a knee injury. Still, the Lady Trojans dealt with that loss and their own inexperience to battle their way to a 12-11 season.

The Trojans featured just three seniors, so many of the younger players were forced to gain valuable playing time which should go a long way to improving next year's team.

Over all, Highland gave its fans plenty to cheer about.

by Malcolm Munroe



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Lay It Up

Senior Katie Kane makes a lay-up in a game against Calumet earlier in the season.



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"This year the team finally came together. We had great team unity!"

- junior, Mandy Moes

Leadership

Senior Tina Tracz uses the offense for Highland.

Highland Varsity Girls' Basketball Team

Row 1: Tina Tracz, Katie Kane, Jen Wickwich. Row 2: Coach Joe Finley, Megan Starcevich, Val Theobald, Brittany Adler, Ashley Schassberger, Coach Craig Adelsperger. Row 3: Coach Elsa Flores, Coach Ty Michels, Liz Stapke, Jordan Bedella, Brooke Jones, Mandy Moes, and Coach Mike Urban.



Boys' Basketball

Senior-dominated Trojans soar to 18-6

The Highland varsity boys' basketball team had a very rewarding season, finishing with an 18-6 record.

Uplifting victories over state-ranked Gary West Side and Andrean and other exciting games made coach Ed Fierek's first year of guiding the Trojans very memorable. Many of the team's games, too, were played in front huge, boisterous crowds.

"The guys gave it all they had every game the entire season, and that's all I can ask for," Coach Fierek said.

Senior Andrew Helmer led the way in nearly every statistical category including points per game, rebounds per game, and assists.

In the end, Highland defeated Lake Central in the first round of the sectional, 49-48. Throughout the season, the senior group of Helmer, Derek Maser, and Ryan Drake put the team on their backs, but they came up a little short when Highland lost a thrilling sectional championship game against East Chicago Central, 47-44.

Highland returns only one full-time varsity player next season, Nick Ciana. But with a crop of promising juniors and sophomores moving up to varsity, the Trojans will do just fine.

by Ryan Krejci and Ryan Massey



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Up Strong

JD Fabian takes it up strong against Munster.

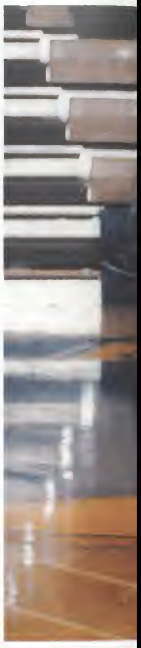
"I will look back on my senior year as a success."

– senior, Andrew Helmer



Highland varsity boys' basketball

Back Row: Coach Fierek, Coach Moss, Ryan Drake, Trish Kiser, Nick Ciana, Derek Maser, Coach McFarland, Coach Alvarado. Middle Row: Jon Bernardi, Greg Wasserman, Andrew Helmer, JD Fabian, Nick Panousis. Front Row: Adam Huizenga, Jon Velasco, Glenn Durocher.



Big Time

Andrew Helmer brings the ball upcourt.



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Results

Boys' Basketball

Portage	W 65-45
Gary West	W 50-46 OT
Lowell	W 49-37
Hammond	W 69-39
Whiting	W 59-20
LAC Tournament	
Munster	**L 47-55**
Wheeler	**W 55-54 OT**
East Chicago Central	L 69-66
Calumet	W 65-45
Merrillville	L 56-54 OT
at Lake Central	W 48-42
at Griffith	W 66-35
Andrean	W 49-45
Hammond Morton	W 57-36
Munster	L 46-28
Hammond Noll	W 77-51
Valparaiso	L 57-46
Hammond Gavit	W 45-36
Gary Roosevelt	W 57-46
Hammond Clark	W 57-45
Hobart	W 81-64
Sectional	
Lake Central	**W 49-48**
East Chicago Central	**L 47-44**

Coaching

Coach Fierek paces up and down the sideline.



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Shining through



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Andrew Helmer: This senior was determined to make his final year his best. He started off the season with 11 assists in the first game. "But it was his scoring and leadership which were the most important.

"When it's crunch time, I'm expected to step up," he said, also adding, "my teammates make the shots. I just pass them the ball and they finish."

Helmer plans to continue his athletic career at college, participating in either football or basketball.

Huddle up

The team gathers around the coach during a timeout.



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Having Fun

Sarah Lynch smiles after cheering for the varsity football team.



Let's go Blue!

Alyssa Gutierrez cheers to the crowd after a touchdown is made by the Trojans!



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Shining through

Melissa Orr: This junior is being recognized for her excellent performance in all that she has done.

"All the girls this year have shown an improvement in their performance, but Melissa stood out the most," Mrs. Pavich, sponsor, said. Melissa has lead the girls well and she did her best to make everything fun for the cheerleading team.

"Melissa has a positive attitude about everything and she makes the best come out of the worst situations," Mrs. Pavich said.



Herstman

Shout it out!

The girls cheer their hearts out.



Cheerleading

Leaders of School Spirit

The Highland cheerleading team had a fun and exciting year.

The number of girls who participated on the team was rather small, but that didn't prevent them from having an enjoyable year. In fact, many believed that the team was much closer than previous years.

"We had a small team, but because of that, we worked really well together and we had a great time," Coach Pavich said.

The girls, of course, performed and cheered at the varsity football and basketball games and at other school-related events. Numerous practices helped get the team ready for cheering during the seasons.

"The girls were fun and goofy," Mrs. Pavich said. "They took all the hard work and turned it into fun."

by Brittany Miles



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Keep your Balance

Leslie Igartua tries to balance and pose while doing a cheer.

> "We had a small team, but because of that, we worked really well together and we had a great time."
>
> - Coach Pavich



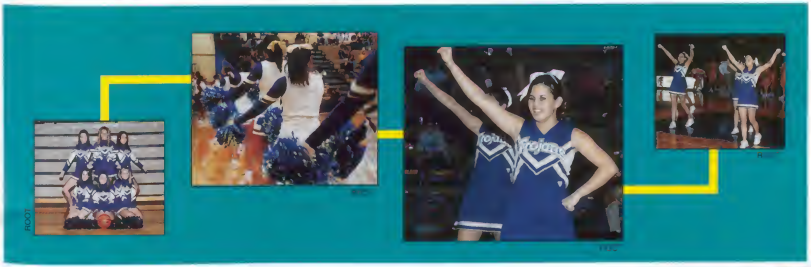
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Go HHS!

The team gets the crowd pumped.

Highland Cheerleading

Back Row: Emily Long, Tori Vander Bleegh, Leslie Igartua, Ashley Finke, Sarah Lynch, Jessica Tyler, Erika Yates, Amanda Sandoval. Middle Row: Morgan Walker, Melissa Orr, Jordan Duda. Front Row: Ashley Haney, Carissa Ashby, Sena Jacobs, Alyssa Gutierrez.



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Sapphires & Ultimate Style

Teams dance, perform to music

Highland's Sapphires and Ultimate Style dance teams had an awesome year.

The Ultimate Style had a great year performing at halftime of the home varsity boys' basketball games. They demonstrated the true style of hip-hop and looked great doing it.

As a team, the Sapphires were also successful this year. They hosted a competition at Highland this season and received the highest score out of all the teams that competed. They went to several competitions, too, and did very well. Much of their success can be attributed to attending a summer dance camp for the first time. Overall, the team had a total of 17 dedicated girls who ranged from freshmen to seniors. A big part of their success was also due to captains Ashley Fleishman, Heather Konyar, Lauren Ferguson, and Elena McCord.

Though both teams have extremely different styles, their intricate performances and dance moves were greatly admired.

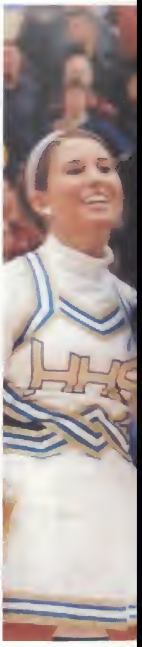
by Melissa Genovese & Lauren King



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Hip-Hop Dance Team

First Row: Marcus Davis, Henry Boyd. Second Row: Blanca Parker Angelo, Tatiana Michelle Faught, Back Row: Joanna Baldeath, Stephanie King, and Rachel Rodriguez



"We put everything we could into the performances at the basketball games! It was so much fun!"
- Senior, Henry Boyd



Stylers

Cassie Conaway, Heather Konyar, and Ashley Fleishman represent the Sapphires dance team at the football game.

"The girls worked hard every day in practice and it paid off."
- junior, Elena McCord





Freshman



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Dancing Machine

Henry Boyd shows off his moves during halftime of the varsity boys' basketball game.

Highland Sapphires

Row 1 Alyssa Kurpers, Ashley Fleishman, Brittaney Horn, Lauren Ferguson. Row 2 Ashley Odome, Stephanie DeBoer, Cayla Meaney, Cassie Conaway, Melissa Crook, Alexandria Vandiver, Heather Konyar, Elana McCord. Row 3 Alyssa Brooks, Haley Lantis, Brittany Foster, Taylor Kostoff, Katie Kreis. Coached by Ms. Gouart



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All the Right Moves

Ashley Fleishman and Heather Konyar perform at the varsity boys' basketball game.



Hershman

Results

Portage	L
Rumble in the Region	*3rd*
Calumet	W
L.C. Harvest Classic	*8th*
Calumet Traicoff Invite	*11th*
Griffith	W
Munster	W
Lake County Tourney	*6th*
Lake Athletic Conference Meet	*4th*
Sectional	**3rd**



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How Do You Like Me Now?

Freddie Lopez gives his opponent a beating and a face full of mat.





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Make Your Move

Senior Tim Ferry prepares to make the move which will decide the match against his opponent.

Shining *through*



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Tommy Green: This senior accumulated more than 30 victories on the season and capped off the year by advancing to the semistate. Beginning the season in the 152-pound weight class was somewhat difficult for Green; however, when he dropped down to 145 pounds before the Holiday break, that's when he was nearly unbeatable.

"That was the difference in my season," Green admitted about the drop in weight class. "I'm proud of the way I wrestled and for making it as far as I did."

Additionally, Green was a sectional champion, while placing second in the conference, county, and regional.



Wrestling

Trojans hide quest for excellence

When Coach Poynter talks about his Highland wrestling team it's difficult for him to hide his excitement. The Trojans certainly have a lot to prove, but all indications are that the team has exactly what it takes to have a very prosperous future.

The reason for such optimism was built on the foundation of this season's team which finished 12-11 and 6-1 in the Lake Athletic Conference. The Trojans featured just three seniors and seven of the team's 11 losses were suffered against state-ranked squads.

"We were really a young team," Coach Poynter said. "We just kept working and working to get better."

One of the brightest stars on the team was senior Tommy Groen who was the lone individual to advance to the semistate.

"I'm happy with my season," said Groen, who lost just four times after making the move from the 152 to the 145-pound weight class. "I wanted to make it to state -- that was my goal -- but I'm proud of my season and how I wrestled."

Count on Highland to be a huge factor in the years to come.



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Ready to Wrestle

Junior John Stiglitz prepares for his match by practicing a few moves.

"I'm happy with my season. I'm proud of how I wrestled."
- senior, Tommy Groen



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Highland Wrestling

First Row: Robert Bochy, Tony Trionek, Tim Ferrey, Brandon Czaikowski. Middle Row: Mitch Vis, Mike Textor, John Stiglitz, Mark Atchison, Mark Stok, Brent Onda. Back Row: Coach Poynter, Coach Havens, Brandon O'Keefe, Steve Rose, Tom Groen, Matt Zmchik, Coach Hansen.

Death Grip

Mike Textor is complete control in this match.



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Swimming

Both Swim Teams Come Up Big

Daily two-a-day practices, weight-lifting, and conditioning defined the dedication of the members of the swim teams. They all worked hard and it showed in their drive to win.

The girls put together an 11-meet winning streak after opening with a loss to Chesterton. The boys, meanwhile, started strong but had some difficulty along the way. The girls ended the season with a record of 12-2 while the boys were 9-5.

"In the end, both teams worked really hard and were ready for sectionals and state," sophomore Natalie Smaltis said.

Seven individuals (6 girls, 1 boy) qualified for the state meet from the sectional competition. "It was their time to shine," Coach Ryan Harrington said. "I kept telling them that when the officials say to step up onto the block, not get on the block, that he is telling them to step up to the challenge. That's what everyone did." The teams had a great showing at state. The boys team placed 25th and the girls' team was 11th.

by Donna Smaltis and Kara Geroseff



Smaltis



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Highland Girls' Swimming and Diving

Row 1: Vicky Smith, Ellie Lee, Stephanie Baker, Mindi Petrak, Dana Rimusa, Nikki Southers, Crystal Caupos. Row 2: Sara Wyrick, Katie Ellis, Abby Lee, Lexi Petit, Traci Kuiper, Amy Guyna, Jen Castillo. Row 3: Coach Gerber, Coach Harrington, Jordan Lauprich, Natalie Svalla, Laura Platt, Anna Zike, Donna Svalla, Nathalie Fehling. Row 4: Coach Lindesa, Coach Tomfohrde, Natalie Goelz, Jessica Knight, Jillian Flanagan, Jessica Hash, Lesley Sampson, Jen Fassel, Kelly Frei, Ally Gauthier.

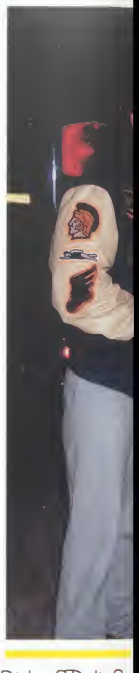
Highland Boys' Swimming and Diving

Row 1: Brennan Postel, Patrick Augustyn, Josh Thayer, Tim Guyna, Brent Sawanick, Kyle Watson. Row 2: Coach Gerber, Billy Zike, David Schestanz, Jon Guthermuz, Ryan Platt, John McMillan, Kevin Sasser, Nick Frazier. Row 3: Coach Harrington, Quentin Evans, Mike Snyder, Zach Bycroft, Joey Bailey, Kevin Randall, Matt Hamaker, Rob McMahon. Row 4: Coach Tomfohrde, Mike Castillo, Brian Bland, Patrick King, Chris Horgan, Steve Thomson, Andrew Gauthier, Kenny Hura, Steve Zabrowski.



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"In the end, both teams worked really hard and were ready for sectionals and state." - Sophpuera, Natalie Svalis



Sigh of Relief

The girls step for a quick picture after a successful state meet.







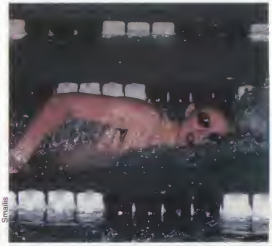




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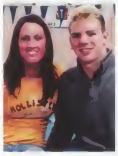
Results

Swimming and Diving	Girls	Boys
Chesterton	L	L
Griffith	W	W
Lake Central	W	L
Valparaiso	W	L
Lowell	W	W
Calumet	W	W
Merrillville	W	W
Portage	W	W
Crown Point	W	L
Hammond Morton	W	W
Munster	L	L
LaPorte	W	W
Hobart	W	W
Michigan City	W	W
Highland Invite	3rd	5th
LAC Meet	2nd	2rd
Sectional	2nd	4th
State	11th	25th



Smalls

Shining through



Georgeff

Pat Agustyn and Donna Smalls: Senior Donna Smalls and junior Pat Agustyn are the girls' and boys' swim team captains. These two athletes have been standout swimmers since their freshman year. Not only have they both qualified for the state meet more than twice, but they both are ranked in the top 40 swimmers in the nation!

"For the past three years, Pat and I have been training together, pushing each other because we both want the same thing, a Division I scholarship," Smalls said. Both swimmers have received attention from numerous Division I schools, but their college choice is still undetermined.



Smalls

No Breathing

Junior Nathalie Rohling takes a breath while swimming the 500 free.



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Setting Goals

Junior Alex Kozial shows the form which made him successful in the shot put.



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2006 Highland Boys' Track & Field Team



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2006 Highland Girls' Track & Field Team

Let It Fly

Senior Mike Dobusz unleashes a tremendous throw in the discuss event.



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Achieving Great Heights

Senior Mike Moynihan appears to clear the bar without too much difficulty in the pole vault event.



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Track & Field

BOys' and Girls' teams improving

Interesting track and field is definitely on the rise when it comes to Highlands boys and girls' teams. Both squads featured a good turnout of athletes. But what was lacking, though, were the number of experienced performers. It takes to be a truly strong team. However, there were several individuals on both teams which did exceptionally well.

The boys' team finished 2nd at the Highland Invite, third on the Calumet Invite, 7th in the Lake Athletic Conference championships and fourth in the sectionals.

As for the girls, the team finished second at both the Highland and Calumet Invites, 6th at the LAC championships, and third at the sectionals.

The boys' and girls' teams were coached by Brianne Zaman and Ellie Dyd respectively.





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Hurdling to the Finish
Junior Josh Kiser displays the determination and concentration required to defeat his competition.

Results

BOys' Track & Field

LAC Indoor meet @Noll	5th
Hobart/Munster	L/L
Chesterton	L
Morton/Griffith/Noll	W/L/L
Highland Invite	2nd
Calumet Invite	3rd
LAC championships	***7th***
Sectional	***4th***
Regional	***27th***

Girls' Track & Field

LAC Indoor meet @Noll	6th
Hobart/Munster	L/L
Chesterton	L
Morton/Griffith/Noll	W/W/W
Highland Invite	2nd
Calumet Invite	2nd
LAC Championships	***6th***
Sectional	***3rd***

Shining through



Chris Morgan



Natalie Gaalk

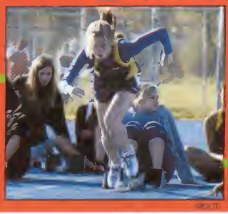
Track and Field, of course, is a team sport; however, these two individuals – Chris Morgan and Natalie Gaalk – were the most dominant for Highland's teams. Morgan specialized in the discuss, while Gaalk was difficult to beat in the distance events.



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Results

Girls' softball

Hammond Morton	W 9-3
Andrean	L 4-0
Lowell	L 7-5
Kankakee Valley	L 7-2
Lake Central	L 2-0
Griffith	W 5-2
Wheeler	L 15-5
Hammond Noll	W 2-0
Hobart	L 1-0
Munster	L 6-2
Lafayette Jeff	W 7-6
Lafayette Harrison	L 17-5
Andrean	L 3-0
Lowell	W 2-1
Highland Invite	
Hammond High	***W 15-0***
Penn	***L 7-0***
Kankakee Valley	***W 5-3***
Michawaka Marian	L 2-0
Kankakee Valley	W 8-1
Griffith	W 1-0
Hammond Noll	W 3-0
Michigan City Marquette	W 2-0
Hobart	W 6-2
Munster	L 3-0
Portage	W 2-0
Hebron	W 9-4
Sectional	
East Chicago Central	***W 14-0***
Lake Central	***L 3-2***

Shining through

Senior Tina Traczyk was a leader on the team the entire season. She demonstrated her ability all four years of high school. She showed her excellence on defense throughout her senior year by having the least amount of errors on the team. Traczyk played second base for all her years on the varsity girls' softball team.



by Ryan Krejci and Ryan Massey

Softball

Girl's finish 15-13 On season

The Highland girls' softball season wrapped up in dramatic foshion.

As a team, Highland advanced to the second game of sectionals, where they met Lake Central. The Trojans put up a valiant effort but came up short, losing 3-2.

"We played so hard every game, including the game that ended the season," junior Beth Haley said. "I'm really looking forward to next year."

The team was led by Tina Traczyk and Haley. Haley, a left-handed pitcher, had a earned run average of just 0.93, while Traczyk was solid defensively.

With Haley, Liz Stapke, and Lauren Olivo returning, next year should be another good year for the Trojans. These three play perhaps the most important positions in the game -- at pitcher, shortstop, and catcher respectively. This sets up a solid start for the Trojans.

by Ryan Krejci and Ryan Massey



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Highland Girls' Softball

Back row (L to R) Coach O'Donnell, Beth Haley, Lizzie Stapke, Brianna Lapiana, Tina Traczyk, Coach Banas. Middle row: Cristin Olszewski, Teanna Patton, Amy Kosier, Brittany Horvath, Caleigh Olszewski, Amber Barnes, Kristina Komacki. Front row: Brianna Herrera, Lauren Olivo, Carrie Shacks, Saxantha Zlupy, Danielle Lewis, and Katie Brackett.





Teaming Up

Beth Haley gets the team pumped before the big game.



Defensive Position

Outfielder Ivanna Herrera is prepared for anything.



That's Unhittable!

Beth Haley pitches in a game earlier in the season.



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You're Out of Here!

Sophoupne'Brian Attgibens casually throws the ball back to the pitcher after a strikeout.



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Keepin' It in the Zone

Sophoupne'Doug Fritz turns up the heat!

Talking Strategy

Coach Miller meets with the team on the mound to discuss the next batter.



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Hey, Batter, Batter!

Senior Michael McFarland gets ready for a pitch.



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Baseball

Trojans finish season with a .14-14 record

After tolling away over Spring Break, without the opportunity to go on vacation like everyone else, the players on the Highland varsity baseball team hoped their hard work would pay off. The baseball team looked to improve on last year's disappointing 12-18 season — their first losing season in many, many years. However, many of the difficulties the team faced the previous year resurfaced during the season. Still, Highland managed to improve to 14-14 on the season, starting a lineup which featured several underclassmen.

Senior Kyle Ruebel was pleased with the team's progress.

"It was a lot better than last season, which made it a great way to end my high school baseball career!"

by Kara Georgeff, Donna Smallis, & Melissa Genovese





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Highland Varsity Baseball

Row 1: Andrew Drake, Bob Weishar, Justin Kaczuarski, Matt Bugajski, Kyle Ruebel, Row 2: Tommy Sica, Trey Usher, Coach Miller, Coach Bogner, Brian Arghers, Glenn Durocher, Row 3: Doug Fritz, Cory Bouchee, Michael McFarland, Nick Cianci, Ryan Drake, TD Fabian, Tommy Dempsey.

Results

Varsity Baseball

Lake Central	L	8-1
Hammond Morton	W	14-3
Hammond Gavit	W	12-0
Washington Township	W	3-2
Gary Roosevelt	W	14-0
Crown Point	L	11-1
Valparaiso	W	6-2
Andrean	L	5-3
Lowell	W	5-0
Kankakee Valley	L	8-7
Merrillville	W	7-6
Griffith	L	5-3
Hammond Noll	W	17-6
Hobart	W	6-3
Munster	L	4-0
Andrean	L	14-4
Lowell	L	2-1
Kankakee Valley	W	15-4
Griffith	L	10-4
Bishop Noll	W	3-1
Hobart	L	4-2
Munster	L	1-0
LAC Tourney		
Whiting	*L*	*10-4*
Calumet	*W*	*8-0*
Wheeler	*L*	*5-4*
Valparaiso	W	6-3
Portage	W	1-0
Sectional		
Lowell	L	5-0

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Tim Usher: *This senior was focused and determined all season, and it showed with an impressive .450 batting average.*

"Since it was my last year as a Highland High School baseball player and I knew that no matter what happened with our season, we had to have fun. We ended up doing well, and I did have a great time," Usher said. Next year he plans on attending IU Northwest to play baseball. Then he is considering transferring to IU (Bloomington) for second semester. He thanks his mother for all of her support throughout the last four years. Usher is eager and excited to continue his baseball career at the collegiate level.

by: Kara Georgeff, Donna Smallis, & Melissa Genovese



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Results

Girls' Tennis

Merrillville	L	3-2
Chesterton	L	3-2
Andrean	W	5-0
Lake Central	W	4-1
Hammond Gavit	W	4-1
Crown Point	L	3-2
Munster	L	5-0
Portage	W	3-2
Calumet	W	5-0
Lowell	W	4-1
Valparaiso	W	3-2
Kankakee Valley	W	5-0
Hammond Noll	W	5-0
LaPorte Invite		
Plymouth	*L*	*3-2*
LaPorte	*L*	*5-0*
Sectional		
Griffith	*W*	*5-0*
Calumet	*W*	*5-0*
Regional		
Crown Point	*L*	*3-2*

Shining through



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Melissa Kristy may not be Highland's most talented player, but she is definitely one of the most dedicated. She's been playing tennis since fourth grade, and, you know what? She still loves it after all of these years. She enjoys the competition, but she says her favorite part of the season is the crazy cheers that she and her teammates have before and after each of the team's matches.

by Ryan Torrenga & Kyle Ruebel

Girls' Tennis

Trojans capture third straight sectional title

The Highland varsity girls' tennis team had a lot to be proud of during the season.

As a team, the Trojans captured their third straight sectional title by sweeping Griffith and Calumet.

Individually, Amanda Zaharsky and Angela Burgesan, at No. 1 doubles, were nearly unstoppable. The pair advanced downstate and earned all-Lake Athletic Conference honors.

Not too bad, huh? Well, Highland was also 4-1 in conference matches and seven of the team's 11 wins were 5-0 shutouts.

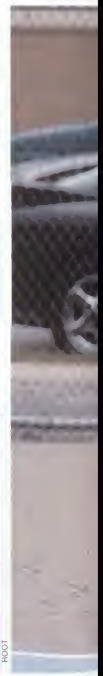
But, of course, behind all of this success was a lot of hard work and dedication, and now that the end has come, the senior girls will have many unforgettable memories to take with them.



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Getting Ready

Members of the Highland varsity girls' go over last minute instructions before the start of their match.











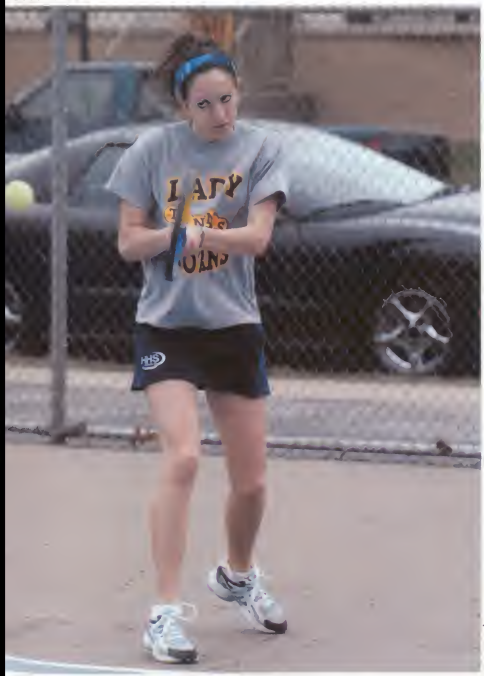
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On the Move

Amanda Zdharsky rips a shot past her opponent, while Melissa Kristy (below) does likewise.





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Stretching for a shot

Caitlin Gieruyski reaches out to nuke a shot.



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Playing near the Net

Natalie Swalis returns a swash near the net.



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A Strong Beginning

Junior Mike Lauric drives a shot.



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Big Hitter

Sophomore Jordan Bedella prepares to drive the ball from the tee.

Tremendous Form

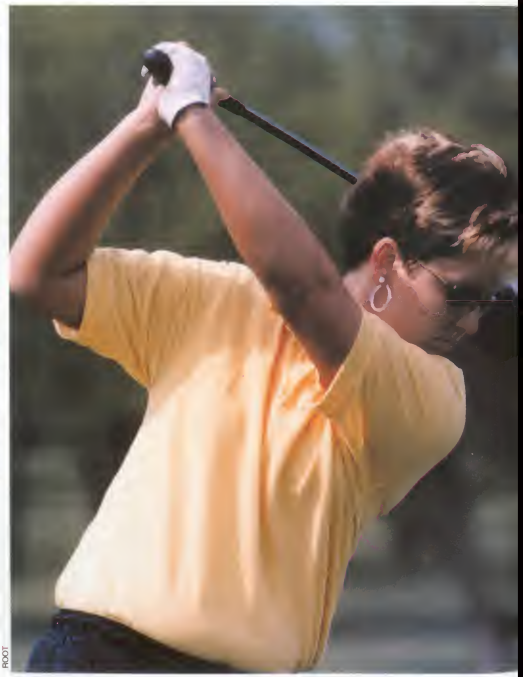
Senior Nikki LeRose was the team's top performer.



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Highland Boys' Golf Team

Row 1: Mike Prather, Nick Tomaselli, Brian Sisler, Andrew Tonelli, Josh Mitchell, Jim Tomjack, Dan Pollard.
Row 2: Ian Mouser, Ricky Schwartz, Josh Ross, Andrew Vanderwoude, Tony Tomson, Adam Strawbeck, Chad Richardson.



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Boys' & Girls' Golf

Highland teams card fine seasons

The overall results of the matches were not too important. What was significant, though, was that Highland fielded a varsity girls' golf team for the first time in the school's history. Previously, those girls interested in playing golf were forced to play on the boys' team. The girls were coached by Debra Clements. As a team, Highland wasn't too successful; however, individually senior Nikki LeRose advanced to regional competition.

The boys' team had their difficulties, especially early in the season. But as the season progressed, the team steadily improved.

"It was a tough year," senior Andrew Jones said, "but it was a fun time."

Highland, guided by long-time coach Dan Richardson, won three of its last four matches and finished 6th in the Lake Athletic Conference meet.

by Malcolm Munroe, Phil Miller, & Bill O'Conner



Highland Girls' Golf Team
Left to right: Brittany Adler, Jordan Badella, Nikki LeRose, Rachel LaPlante, Amy Gysins, and Coach Debra Clements

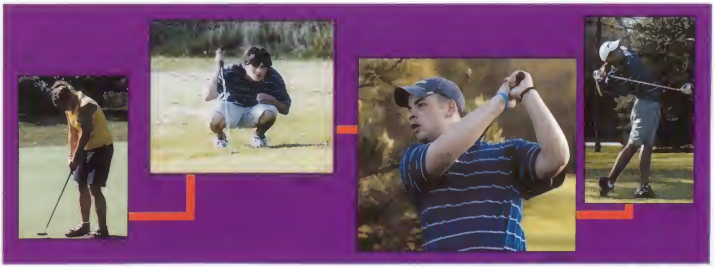
Results

BOys' GOlf

Griffith	L
Lake Central	L
Munster	L
Attica Tourney	***4th***
Hobart	L
Portage	L
Valparaiso	L
Crown Point Invite	***4th***
Kankakee Valley	L
Lowell	L
Rensselaer Invite	***13th***
Munster	L
Calumet	W
Andrean	L
Hammond Morton	W
Hammond Noll	W
LAC Tourney	***6th***

Girls' GOlf

Hobart	L
Wheeler	L
Merrillville	L
Hobart	L
Andrean	L
LAC Tourney	***7th***
Sectional	***11th***





FRESHMEN VOLLEYBALL:*(first row)* Sam Zimny, Marge Haley, Morgan O'Donnell, Taylor Wilson, Kelsey O'Donnell, *(second row)* Jaclyn Kissee, Danielle Drake, Katlyn Kissee, Stephanie Ruman, Meagan Bence, Coach Becky Hunt

JV/Freshmen Sports

By Melanie Rawsey
Designed by Alicia Rosignol



JV VOLLEYBALL:*(first row)* Nicole Kepler, Emily Peters, Ashley Kikalos, Ashley Schassburger, Natalie Burgeson, *(second row)* Coach Guzman, Christina Quinn, Amanda Schassburger, Kellyn Kostelich, Meghann Hejmej, Megan Staroscsak



JV BOYS' SOCCER: *(first row)* Marc Kyriakides, Billy Zuke, Nick Mouratides, Keith Hojnicki, Mike Lachowiec, Evan Leyba, Mike Shelton, *(second row)* Steve Regnier, Luke Schiller, Callum Walker, Leo Aldana, Zach Lubarski, Kevin Stamps, *(back row)* RobbyMcMahon, Milos Gvero, Nick Meyer, Danny Goodeve, Drew Timm, Matt Kiser, Ryan Postell, (*not pictured)* Josh Mielcarek



FRESHMEN FOOTBALL: *(first row)* Ray Bruno, Colin Ronschke, Dalton Rhyne, Pierre Simmons, Dashawn Jones, Joel Ginn, Valentino Trevino. *(second row)* Kyle Hadley, Mike Mileusnich, Coach Bogner, Coach Miksis, Coach Roggenbuck, Jake Nauracy, Johnny Tyler. *(third row)* Trent Altieri, Jimmy McNair, Garrett Martinez, Emilio Covarrubias, Joel Sullivan, Coty Anderson, Mike Dainton, *(back row)* Vincent Padilla, Bobby Gregory, Ryne Urban, Jon Rada, Jordan Graf, Mitch Vis, Charles Podgorny, Jeff Natelborg



FRESHMEN CHEERLEADERS: *(first row)* Morgan Walker, Ashley Haney, *(back row)* Jordan Vanderboegh, Emily Long

JV CHEERLEADERS: *(first row)* Erika Vates, Alyssa Guitierrez, *(back row)* Jordan Duda, Ashley Finke, Amanda Sandoval





FRESHMEN GIRLS' BASKETBALL:*(first row)* Brittney Semanick, Katie Elish, Jaclyn Kissee, Sam Ghirda, Acasia White, Heather Carpenter *(second row),* Coach Elsa Flores, Katlyn Kissee, Kelsey O'Donnell, Rebecca Arredondo, Morgan O'Donnell, Danielle Drake, Brittany Drach



JV BASEBALL:*(first row)* Mark Ross, Mike Mireles, Danny Ferry, Bryan Wiesemann, Geoff Bach, *(second row)* Rey Mason, Ryan Needles, Kris Wozny, Brendan O'Keefe, Dan Orsag, *(back row)* Adam Musielak, Mitch McGuire, Josh Minch, Lucas Baker, A.J. Fletcher, Coach Bachinski



JV GIRLS' BASKETBALL:*(first row)* Megan Staroscsak, Jeanna Patton, Ashley Schassburger, Meagan Bence, *(second row)* Coach Craig Adelsperger, Martha Bush, Ashleigh Cash, Stephanie Ruman

JV/Freshmen

By Melanie Rousey
Designed by Alicia Rosignol

FRESHMEN WRESTLING:*(first row)* Andrew Vrabel, Chris Almarez, Johnny Tyler, *(second row)* John Bakas, Fred Lopez, Coty Anderson, Kyle Hadley, *(back row)* Coach Hanson, Ryan McLean, Mitch Vis, Charles Podgorny, Jimmy McNair





JV SOFTBALL:*(first row)* Nicole Kirincic, Amber Ventling, Acasia White, Lauren Zimner, Kaitlin Vianello, Brittney Semanick, Victoria Smith, *(second row)* Chelsea Leluga, Amanda Schassburger, Courtney Meier, Meghann Hejmej, Becca Lamski, Luxury Bryant, Brittney Metzen *(back row)* Coach Schaerer, Coach Banas, Samantha Zimny, Holly Donsbach, Jeanna Patton, Coach Banas

FRESHMEN BASEBALL:*(first row)* Dustin Shurlow, Raymond Bruno, Nick Nuniz, Joel Smith, Christopher Phipps, *(second row)* Johnny Tyler, Kyle Hadley, Elliot Gabel, Pedro Guerrero, Donald Holifield, *(back row)* Coach Reynolds, Fred Lopez, Charles Podgorny, Jordan Graf, John Geringer, Scott Blazek



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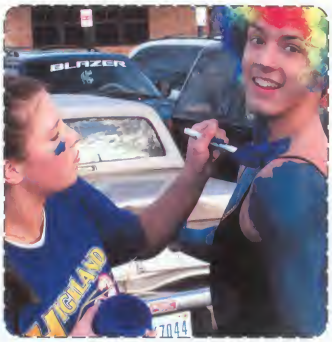
Clubs and Academics are used to bring people closer together.

A variety of students are a part of these different clubs and organizations. From freshmen to seniors, A+ students to C- students, these clubs bring together many diverse individuals to become one whole.

When participating in a club or organization, one will meet new people and exhibit their talents. Over the course of a year, students will participate in many activities sponsored by these clubs. One organization, Student Council, arranged the school-wide Blood Drive. These clubs are not only bringing the school closer together, but, in certain ways, they help the community. Without clubs and academics, this school wouldn't be as close as it is today, nor the community for that matter.



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CLUBS AND ACADEMICS







NHS and NAHS

Academics and Arts

National Honor Society Highlands had many significant academic achievements this year. The organization was involved in several community service projects throughout the year. The summer months kept members busy collecting 970 lbs for the American Red Cross. NHS members also got the entire school involved by getting food for the Highland Food Pantry. The holidays also provided members with an opportunity to give by donating toys to Children's Memorial Hospital.

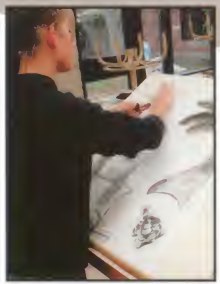
National Art Honor Society has also been very active this year. After a trip to The Art Institute, NAHS members viewed and participated in many art shows and exhibits. Five students who were interested in pursuing a career in art after college visited the Herron School of Art. NAHS members planned to create a new mural at Johnston Elementary next fall.

by Melanie Ramsey



True Unity
NAHS members take a group photograph before meeting with their sponsor, Ms. Szymanski.

An Artist at Work
NAHS member Stephanie Barnett shades her most recent work.



Lather it Up!
NHS members work hard at a summer car wash.



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NAHS officers

President

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Vice President

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Secretary

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Caitlin Gierymski



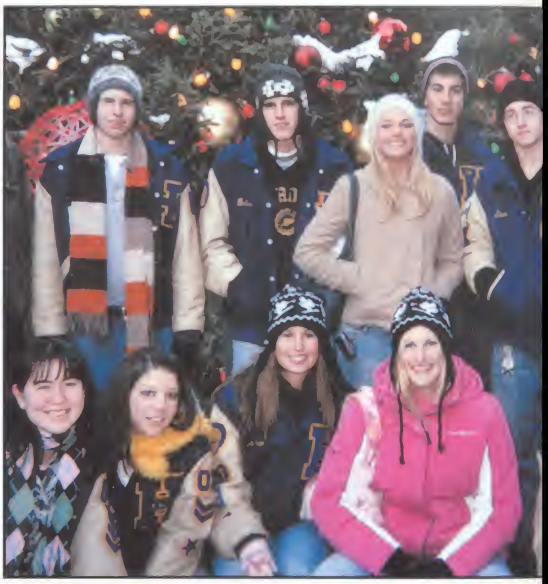
Heather Gertat



Brian Jelski



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Spanish Club



Spanish Honor Society



French Club



French Honor Society



German Club



German Honor Society

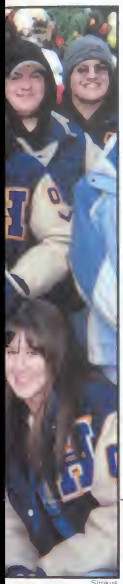
Foreign Languages

Clubs and Honor Societies

Foreign language clubs are an amazing opportunity to learn more about the world's many cultures. Highland High School offers a chance to be in French, Japanese, Spanish, German, and American Sign Language. The clubs provide an indepth look at the languages and the cultures of the people who speak these languages in distant lands.

In addition to learning how to speak the languages, students also become acquainted with the food of these diverse cultures. Also it's a great chance to meet new people and to become familiarized with the history of nations far and near.

by Alyse Casten



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Field Trip

The high school German club visited Chicago's German Village.



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Japanese Club



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"chipotle es muy bueno (chipotle is very good)!"
-- sophomore, Ceasar Cordova



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"J'aime la pamplemousse (I love grape fruit)."
-- junior Amanda DeBoer

Japanese Honor Society



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"Lecker lecker schmecker (Yummy yummy in the tummy)."
-- Senior Heather Gortat



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Sign Language Club

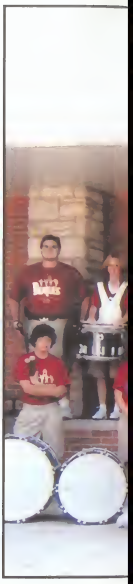
Band and Color Guard

Few would doubt the dedication of those students who participate in band and in color guard. They performed at every home varsity football and basketball game, and they spent countless hours practicing to perfect their performances.

These students take great pride and satisfaction in what they do. The members of band and color guard are very energetic, and it shows in their performances.

They enjoy what they do and it's a lot of fun to be a part of these groups.

by Ryan Torrenga



Picture This
Members of the band and color guard



In Tune
Andrew Jones performs at one of the home varsity boys' basketball games.

Team Oriented
Members of the color guard gather together prior to one of their performances.



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"I had so much fun this year. It was awesome."
-- Megan Serwacki

"I enjoyed being on the band."
-- Jeremy Rothchild





"I think our routines this year were fabulous."
-- Stephanie Kuscera



Behind the Scenes

Student Conducter



Lauren Brechtner

Saxophonist



Ben Hayes

Senior Captain



Aimee Fredericks

Junior Captain



Brittany Maynard



Club Officers

President



Richwalski

Kelly Turkevich

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Kristyn Welak

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Asia Jureczko

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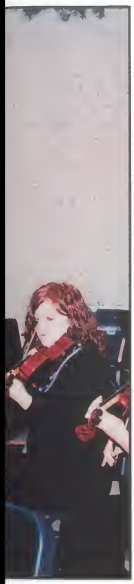
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Orchestra

music to our ears

When members of the Highland High School orchestra are playing whether it be at a concert or in class they are always making beautiful music.

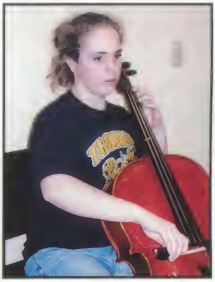
These talented musicians were all very young and eager to learn more. With only one senior this year's orchestra was relatively new.

The most popular instrument is the violin, but others like sophomore Matt Gussegin said "I like my instrument [viola] because of the strings and the sounds it makes. The people in the class are really cool too."

Needless to say, whether performing in front of hundreds of people or just playing alone in front of the mirror, these students have passion, and their passion is music.

by Katy Richwalski and Lauren King

Let the Music Play
Members of the orchestra perform during the holiday season.



Playing a Tune
Jill Ronayne plays the cello during class.

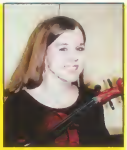
Concentration
Freshman Rebecca Grant plays the viola.

Richwalski

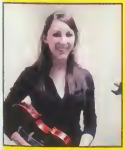


Richwalski

"I'm not in it for the music. I'm in it for the people." -Sophomore Caryn Egan



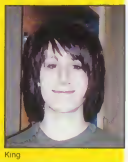
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Richwalski

"I really enjoy the field trips we go on and it is an easy grade!" -Junior Jessica Borst

"I enjoy being in orchestra because being able to affect people musically is a great feeling." -Senior Kelly Turkevich



King

Key Club

A place where students come together

When students make the decision to be a member of Key Club, they are in good company – real good company. Key Club is in fact, the largest international known organization in the world led by students.

The students of Key Club help support many causes for the school and elsewhere. Members help to raise money for charities, and in the community, they help those people who are in need. Some of the events organized by Key Club include a dance held for the disabled, pancake breakfasts, the March of Dimes walk, the Pumpkin Plod, food race, and many more.

So, if you want a make a difference at school and in the community, being a member of Key Club might be the direction to take.

by Luke Szot and Jon Burgans



Breakfast Club

Senior Eric Seljan and junior Beth Adley enjoy themselves at the Key Club's Pancake Breakfast.



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Activities

Key Club sponsors a number of community activities. Member Tara Jones assists in this activity with children.



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President

Tim Cheek



Vice President

Tara Jones



Secretary

Rachel Dian



Treasurer

Eric Nelson

Key Club officers



In the Cards

A group of Key Club newbies enjoy a game to pass time during organization-sponsored Lock In.

Stayin' Awake

Sophomore Kyle Wolak prepares to eat a treat to help him stay awake during the Lock-In.





Behind the Scenes

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Lauren Ferfuson

Vice President



Katie Kane

Secretary



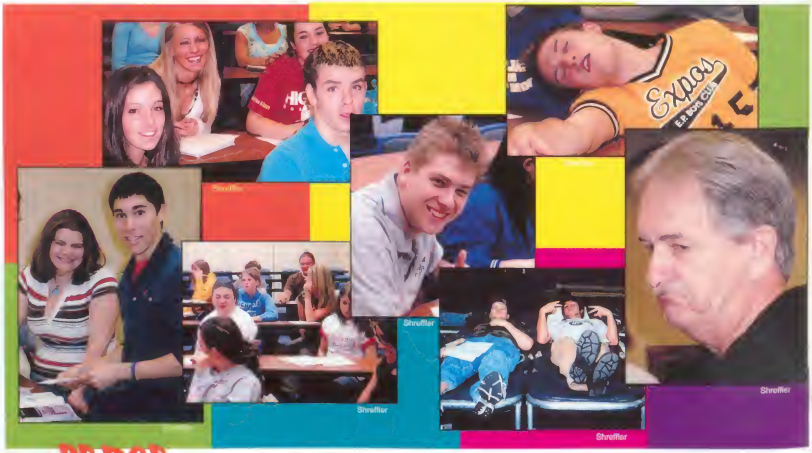
Caitlin Ryder and Traci Kuiper

Treasurer



Andrew Catullier







Student Council

Going Above and Beyond

Student Council is a student organization dedicated to school and organizational activities for the students of Highland High School. It's a student-run organization that is designed for the benefit of students. This year's Student Council, like in the past, conducted a number of school activities.

The year began with the Homecoming Dance, organized by the Student Council, which was very fun and exciting. The organization also hosted two blood drives and a spaghetti dinner, which raised more than $6,000.

"I had a great time this year and I am very proud of my Council," President Lauren Ferguson said.

The other officers include, Katie Kane, Vice-President; Troa Kuiper and Caitlin Ryder, Secretaries; and Andrew Gauthier, Treasurer.

The faculty sponsors for Student Council were Mr. Huber and Mr. Kaminski.

by Kara Georgeff and Donna Smailis

Timeout
Several members of Student Council take a break at the meeting.


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"My first year in high school Student Council was great!" - Becka Lamski


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"I loved telling people to put their stuff away." - Vaso Michels

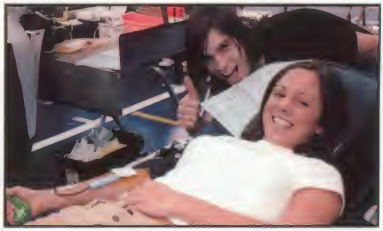

Shreffler

"'Yo-Yo give blood Yo' was the best Blood Drive there ever." - Donna Smailis

Cleaning Help
Seniors Kyle Ruebel and Nick Shreffler wash dishes at the annual Spaghetti Dinner.



Give and Let Live
Junior Rachel Dian gives blood while junior Luke Szot provides some laughter.


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Shield

A Peace of Our Lives

Unlike the terrific leadership, dedication and progressive layout designs of editors Kim Lindsey and Liz Schnyal, the year's edition of the Shield focused on the theme "A Peace of Our Lives."

The 2004 yearbook marked the first straight year that the Shield utilized full color throughout the entire publication. Its unique style and design allow the reader to remember those joyous times and memorable moments.

Lending their skills also were editors Jennifer Leblanc and Danielle Lewis, who were responsible for designing not only the Ad pages, but also the Student Life, Sports and Clubs, Academics templates.

Photography responsibilities were handled by editors Chris Hershman, Phil Miller, Babe Simkus and Nick Shreffler.

The staff's dedicated each year to the goal of publishing the finest yearbook Highland High School has ever seen and they hope you enjoy the book as much as they did putting it together.

By: Phil Miller and
Babe Simkus



Dedicated Leaders

Senior editors Liz Schnyal and Kim Lindsey spent countless hours working on the design of the yearbook. For Schnyal and Lindsey, this was their third year on staff.



The Staff

The entire yearbook staff gets together for a photo.

Editors

Dani Lewis and Jennifer Leblanc show their yearbook pride and school spirit.



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"I loved that I was able to contribute to my senior yearbook!!"

-Donna Smailis



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"I had a great time."

-Aylse Cashen



"I joined yearbook because I heard good things about it and I thought it would be fun! -Melanie Ramsey



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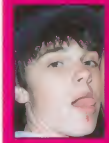
Behind the Scenes

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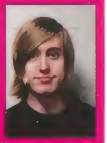
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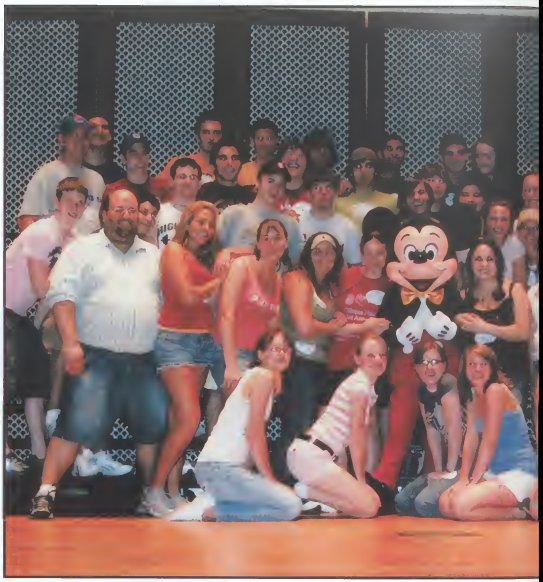


Ryan Torrenga





Sing out



















Choir

Highland's choir class is a chance to increase your vocal skills and sing your heart out. For many, it is their favorite pastime. Many teens who join choir have a great passion for it and it is evident in their everyday lives.

Mr. David Markley has been teaching and directing choir for nine years. This year in choir there were four concerts along with community performances and a special jazz coffeehouse with the Orchestra and Jazz Band. There were 90 participants in ISSMA, 35 of which attended the state competition in Indianapolis.

The Varsity Choir also got the chance to travel to Disney in Orlando, Fla. during Spring Break. They performed there; they also had a great time.

by Alicia Rosignol
and Brittany Miles

Where Dreams Come True
The group gathers around Mickey Mouse.



"I love choir because of Mr. Markley, and all the people in choir that make it so fun and make me feel like I am part of a big choir family."
-Sophomore Nykki Massengill



"I don't know how I'm going to live without Mr. Markley. I have been in choir all my life. I love it, dude."-Senior Dave Lepucki

Freshman



"My favorite thing about choir was all the cute boy singers! Just kidding. It was seeing my friends every day."
-Senior Rachel Lubarski

Patience
Mr. Markley waits patiently for everyone to catch up.



Epcot
The Varsity Choir had a blast in Disney.



Miracle on 34th Street

Fall play creates a sense of cheer

The light shines in from beneath the crack of the curtain door. Then slowly it rises on the stage. The audience falls silent. The curtain opens with a flourish and the lights illuminate the stage. The play is about to begin.

The cast of the Highland Theatre Company (HTC) fall cast for the start of the new school year commenced. As many as 3,000 witnessed the magical production of "Miracle on 34th Street" starring Ryan Pennington as Kris Kringle, Lauren Brehmer as Doris Walker, Kyle Russell as Fred Gailey, and sixth-grader Lauren Ezzo as Susan Walker.

Christmas isn't just a day; it's a frame of mind" was the theme of the show. Everyone in the cast of Miracle on 34th Street did a wonderful job portraying the joy of Christmastime.

The play was directed by Mrs. Molly Hoppes, produced by Mr. David Markley, and co-directed by junior Lauren King.

By: Alicia Resignol



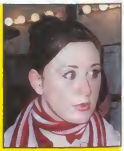


Down Time
Kristin Malinowski, Seth Swift, Robbie McMahon, and Jen Castillo hang out backstage.

Group Picture
The entire cast of Miracle on 34th Street gather for a group shot.



"My favorite part was getting the chance to work with people I have never worked with before, and I enjoyed my character."
- Sandy VanLaningham





"It was my first play and it was great, super, fantastic, magnificent, thrilling, and all those other nice adjectives." - Brian Stepniewski

"My favorite part about theatre is being with my best friends and having fun acting."
- Suzi Stinnett





Behind The Scenes



Bailey Perryman



Amy Brack



Aimee Elias



John Summerlott



Behind the Scenes



Brian Stepniewski and Kyle Tecklenburg



Alicia Resendez



Sandy Van Laningham



Brian Stepniewski







A Murder Has Been Arranged

Beware...

A sense of imminent danger was in the air as the audience entered the play's set. The curtain opened to reveal a dimly lit room with a fire crackling in the background. It was Montbank Audito-rium's way to welcome the audience to a twisted party in which the guests awaited the ghost that had recently been murdered.

The play is about a man on Montbank that explains that it was someone was murdered, that the murdered man would walk in the place of his murder after a strange deal made. A woman answered her speech. A group of people from England traveled to have a party on the stage murder to see the ghost. Sir Charles Jasper's birthday and he will inherit 200 million pounds at 9 o'clock. Unfortunately, a man named Maurice Mullins comes to try to take the 200 million pounds instead of Charles. The doors of the theatre are locked, along with the characters of this play. They all fear the doom that they know is going to come.

The play was directed by senior Ryan Prendergast, and performed by Lisa Roach, Jimmy Seward, Alicia Rangnal, Seth Smit, Brandy VanLaningham, Bailey Perryman, Suzanne Stimlett, Brian Stepniewski, Kyle Tenbarge, and Stephanie Tuckett. It was produced by Mr. David Markley and Mrs. Molly Knoppes.

by Alicia Rosignol

"HANDS UP!"
Suzi's character threatens the group with a pair of scary scissors



Taking Notes
Sophomore Seth Smit concentrates on his next reaction.

Hershman

A Job Well Done
The cast of "Murder" poses.



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"My first time at a big role was scary but exhilarating because I loved the feeling of the spotlight and a big audience watching me."
- Seth Smit, sophomore



Hershman



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"Working with the cast of Murder rocked! It was one of the best plays I have been involved with. ROCK ON!" - Jimmy Seward, junior

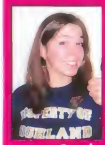
"I will miss all of the hard work that the cast put forth and the satisfaction achieved after a great performance."
- Lisa Roach, senior



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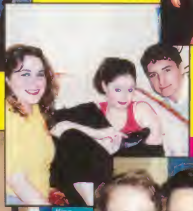
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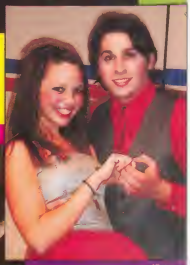
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Footloose!

kick off your sunday shoes

After the winter production the Highland Theatre Company had undergone a transformation and with all types of change, there were some difficult times ahead. But led by a new sponsor, English teacher Ms. Amanda Palmer, theatre at Highland was making tremendous progress. With a spring in their step and a fresh crop of new talent, the musical was a dynamic success. Footloose, the movie popularized during the early 80's, was aided too, by student director Lauren King.

Perhaps the most surprising experience that came from the musical was that the lead of Ren McCormack was earned by sophomore Josh Tryon who performed brilliantly. Needless to say, this year's production was full of talent from the experienced seniors to the many freshmen and sophomores that made their debut. Footloose made the end of the year very special. It proved once again that "Theatre is Magic."

by Lauren King and Katy Richwalski

Strike a Pose

The cast strikes a pose for the finale.

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"Footloose was a lot of fun and full of new experiences that made this year the best experience of my life." - Sophomore, Rob McMahon



Richwalski



Richwalski

"Choreographing Footloose was a huge undertaking, but it was so much fun. As Ren would say ... Dancing is not a crime!" -Junior, Stephanie Kuscera

"I had a lot of fun rocking the mullet!" -Senior, Kyle Techentin



King

Style Pretty

Director Ms. Amanda Palmer and senior Kelly Adams pose for a picture.

Dance, Dance

Student choreographer Steph Kuscera shows the boys some moves.



King



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Signatures

Nick Cianci and Dani Lewis take the dance floor as Prom King and Queen 2006.



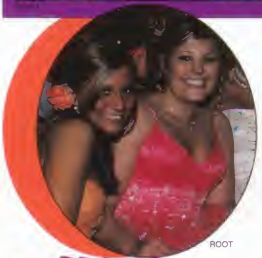
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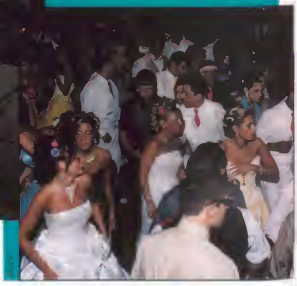


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Cutest Couples



Dani DeWinter & Josh Kiser



Justin Kaczmarski & Sarah Lynch



Brianne Mahala & Zach Kikolos

PROM

On May 6th, 2006, Highland High School students entered the Main Gym, excited for the fun-filled start to the night ahead. At the Grand March everyone had the chance to have their name said and have the whole gym see how good they looked. With the 2006 theme of "A Red Carpet Affair," the gym was decorated accordingly. All the great looking Prom attendees then made their way to the Halls of St. George. Some arrived by limo, party bus, car, or even walked. Whatever way they got there, they were there for a amazing time and the party of a lifetime. Although this year's Court consisted of a standout group of nominees, juniors Nick Cianci and Danielle Lewis were crowned King and Queen. Afterward, Cianci and Lewis danced together in front of everyone.

To say the very least, it was most likely one of best memories of high school for all of those students who attended.



Members of the Prom Court gather on stage for the announcement of the 2006 King and Queen.

GRADUATION



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Valedictorian Eric Nelson and Salutatorian Robert Weishar

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A Note From the Editors

The Adviser



Foss Mama: The bottom line is YOU'RE WEAK. But seriously, it was pretty sweet to get to have you as a teacher for a majority of our high school lives. You were definitely one of the most unique teachers ever.

The Staff



Burgans & Szot: You were a very interesting couple of kids. You were always so fun, and even though you took up room in our office, we still like you.



Krejci & Massey: Last year you almost got kicked out. Thank goodness you stepped up your game and became some of the best staff members this yearbook has ever seen! Good luck with poker!



Billy, Colin & Melissa: We're really glad you guys decided to join the staff this year. We know you guys worked hard on all of your layouts and we were glad to work with you.



Donna & Kara: Too bad you guys didn't join yearbook earlier. The both of you were really awesome workers and you always managed to make us laugh.



Alyse & D.C.: We're so happy that you guys joined us this year. You were great entertainment in our office and we don't know what we would have done without the two of you. We love you!

Brttany Miles: Both of the years you were on staff you did a really great job with all of your assignments. We just wish we could have gotten to know you a little bit better!



Torrenga & Kyle: You guys gave us a lot of entertainment the whole year. Thanks for being so awesome and brightening up our day.



Melanie Ramsey: You always stepped up to the plate when we needed you the most. You worked really hard and we hope that you'll stay on staff for next year.



King, Rosignol & Richwalski: You guys did a fantastic job this year. We are incredibly impressed that you have done so well your first year on staff. Good luck next year as editors girls! You will be awesome!

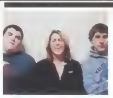


Malcolm Munroe: Where do we begin? We will never forget the great beatings you gave us, the costant laughter, or your two-day imaginary documentary around the classroom. You are such a cute boy! You are amazing and we will always love you! Good work!



Ian Ferguson: Even though you were only in the class first semester, we were still lucky to be graced with your surprise visits second semester. No matter how annoying you got, there is no way we could ever get mad at you. We love you so much and no, you can't have a quarter.

Photo Editors



Babe, Nick, & Phil: It was fun to have you guys in class this year. Thanks for all of the pictures that you took. You two were very entertaining and we are really going to miss you.



Chris Hershman: You are so rad. This was your first year on stafff and you amazed us. We don't know what this yearbook would be without all of your weird (but good), uncroppable photos. We love you!

Division Editors



Dani & Jenn: The two of you did a great job. You had so much work and somehow you got everything to look amazing. Thanks for doing such a great job! We will miss you lots! Good luck next year Dani! We know you'll be an awesome editor!

Senior Editors



Kimmie: I can't believe we actually finished this thing! I definitely wouldn't have been able to do it without you. Words can't even express how much I'm going to miss you next year. You are my best friend and my sister. I love you!!!

Lizard: I don't know what I am going to do without you next year. You are the best friend anyone could ever have and I have had the best time ever these past four years. Thank you so much for being the best half of Kliz Schlindsey that there could possibly be. Beavis & Butthead 4 Life!!!

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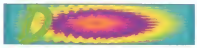
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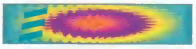




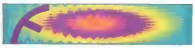
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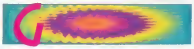
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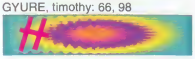
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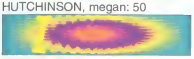


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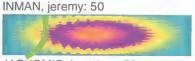
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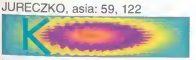
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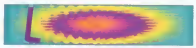
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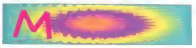
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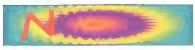


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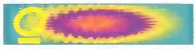


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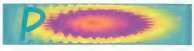
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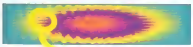


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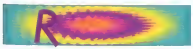




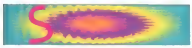
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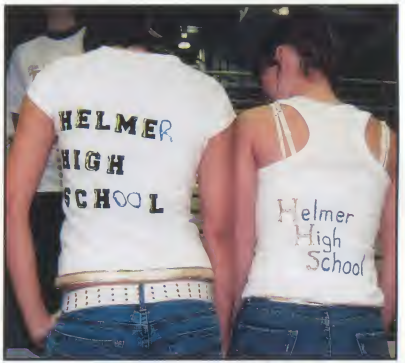
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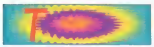
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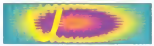
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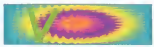
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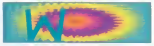
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2005-2006 Highland High School Band and Guard

Band Staff

Todd Ward: Director of Marching, Concert, Pep, and Jazz Bands, Middle and Elementary School Bands
Staci Stanko: Color Guard and Winter Guard Instructor
Joe Vacaro: Assistant Marching Director
Randy Jamrok: Percussion Instructor

Band Students

Brechner, Lauren-Marching, Concert, Pep, Jazz, Winter Guard, Drum Major
Case, Nathan-Marching, Concert, Pep, Jazz
Comer, Jessica-Marching, Concert, Pep
Cox, Danielle-Marching, Concert, Pep
Fogarty, Courtney-Jazz
Gaffney, Sara-Marching, Concert, Pep
Gallas, Mark-Marching, Concert, Pep, Jazz
Hays, Ben-Concert
Hobbs, Ronald-Marching, Concert, Pep
Horsley,Laura-Concert, Pep
Hornback, Amanda-Marching, Concert, Pep
Jones, Andrew-Marching, Concert, Pep, Jazz
Jones, Brooke-Concert, Pep
Kiser, Jonathan-Marching, Concert, Pep
Knuth, Mark-Marching, Concert, Pep
McMahon, Robby-Concert, Pep
Mielcarek, Josh-Concert, Pep
Montanez, Nina-Marching, Concert, Pep
O'Donnell, Morgan-Concert, Pep
Osenkarski, Stephanie-Marching, Concert, Pep, Jazz
Pruitt, Lisa-Marching,Concert, Pep
Rothchild, Jeremy-Marching, Concert, Pep
Rothchild, Josh-Marching, Concert, Pep
Sampson, Lesley-Marching, Concert, Pep
Serwacki, Megan-Marching, Concert, Pep
Seward, Jimmy-Marching
Sjoquist, Elizabeth-Marching, Concert, Pep
Smith, Victoria-Marching, Concert, Pep
Stasi, Ray-Marching, Concert, Pep, Jazz
Thompson, Ben-Marching, Concert, Pep, Jazz
Timm, Drew-Marching, Concert, Pep
Timm, Nathan-Marching
Tomczak, Cory-Concert, Pep
Van Til, Ethan-Marching, Concert, Pep

Guard Students

Boehm, Christina-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Brum, Lindsey-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Bukala, Katie-Color Guard
Claesgens, Hannah-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Fredericks, Aimee-Color Guard, Winter Guard-Senior Capt.
Kuzminski, Aubrie-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Malinowski, Kristin-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Maynard, Brittany-Color Guard, Winter Guard-Junior Capt.
Mysliwy, Mary-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Rahn, Alex-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Rempert, Laura-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Sills, Heather-Color Guard, Winter Guard
Smith, Liz-Color Guard, Winter Guard



Fall 2005 Marching Show "The Beatles"



2005-2006 Pep Band



2006 Winter Guard



2006 Jazz Band with Jazz Trumpeter Maynard Ferguson



2005-2006 Concert Band

• Proudly Presented by the School Town of Highland Band Booster Association, Inc. •

Great job Sapphires for a terrific award-winning season!



Congratulations to the Class of 2006!

Love, the Sapphires

Signatures















Signatures

World Yearbook 2005-2006



The Gulf Coast braces itself for Hurricane Katrina, the most catastrophic storm ever to strike the United States.

Hurricane Season '05

A brutal and record-breaking Atlantic hurricane season saw seven storms pound the United States, devastating thousands of lives and causing more than $100 billion in damages. Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma were among the most intense, destructive and costly storms ever recorded.

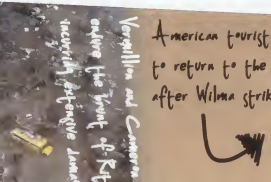
This hurricane season included 27 named storms, 13 of which were hurricanes, seven were considered major and for the first time in recorded history, three reached Category 5 status.



Residents make their way through the flooded streets of New Orleans to a shelter.



In late September, Hurricane Rita devastates areas of Florida, Texas and Louisiana.



Vermillion and Cameron Parish in Louisiana endure the brunt of Rita's third surge, incurring extensive damage.

American tourists wait for flights to return to the United States after Wilma strikes Mexico.



On October 23 a waterspout from the first feeder bands of Hurricane Wilma approaches Key West, Fla.



Wilma makes landfall as a Category 3 storm as it hits the Florida Keys.

The hurricane season made meteorological history by having the most named tropical cyclones ever recorded. For the first time, forecasters exhausted a list of 21 proper names and began using the Greek alphabet to name storms.

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World Events

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist died of thyroid cancer at 80.



U.S. officials discover a 2,400 foot cross-border drug tunnel running from Tijuana, Mexico to San Diego, Calif.



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Alabama authorities investigated to begin attempts to begin cancer tests that appeared to be rigged.



Families wait 41 heart-wrenching hours as rescue teams try to reach 13 coal miners that are trapped in West Virginia's Sago Mine. Tragically, only one miner survived.

Bound for Pluto, the New Horizons spacecraft travels 47,000 mph during a 10-year, 3-billion-mile mission to collect data from the blue planet.

In an attempt to compete with Nike Inc., Adidas-Salomon AG purchased Reebok International Ltd. for $3.8 billion.



Coretta Scott King, widow of civil rights activist Martin Luther King Jr., dies at 78.

The water system in Harbin, China shuts down for several days following a chemical plant explosion that contaminates the Songhua River with toxic benzene. As a result, Harbin's 3.8 million citizens rushed supermarkets in search of bottled water, milk and soft drinks.



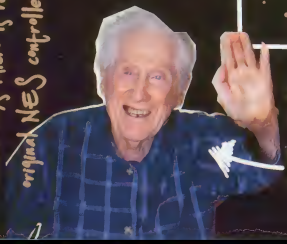
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Runaway bride Jennifer Wilbanks is sentenced to two years of probation, 120 hours of community service and must repay Georgia's Gwinnett County Sheriff's Department $2,500 in restitution for forging her own abduction.

Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport opened Concourse D of the International Terminal in March 2004 at a cost of $242 million and boasts 28 gates and 2005, making it the largest U.S. airport.



Measuring 2 inches tall by 4 inches wide, Game Boy's Micro is reminiscent of the original NES controller.



It is revealed that W. Mark Felt, the FBI's former second-in-command, is "Deep Throat," the source of the Washington Post articles about the 1970's Watergate scandal.



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A 7.6 magnitude earthquake strikes Pakistan and parts of India and Afghanistan, killing more than 79,000 people.

The U.S. Treasury releases 800 million redesigned $10 bills into circulation.



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Political cartoons of the Prophet Mohammed published in European newspapers sparked Muslim protests, leading to the deaths of hundreds, including many Sunnis, and paralyzing a historical parliamentary election.

To reduce the frequency of dangerous high speed chases, California police implemented the use of adhesive GPS locator darts to track fleeing cars.

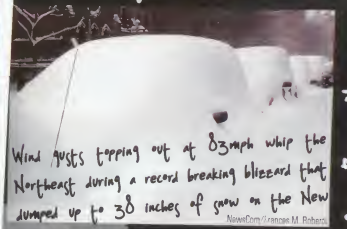
Israeli archaeologists discovered two 2,000-year-old biblical scroll fragments hidden in the Judean Desert.



German cardinal Joseph Ratzinger is elected the 265th pontiff, Pope Benedict XVI.

FEMA Director Michael Brown announces his resignation on September 12, after receiving criticism about his handling of Hurricane Katrina.





Wind gusts topping out at 83mph whip the Northeast during a record breaking blizzard that dumped up to 38 inches of snow on the New England states.

NewsCom/Grainger M. Roberts

A series of deadly tornadoes leave paths of mass destruction in Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois and Arkansas.

An early winter snow storm buried the Plains states, causing widespread power outages and extensive highway closings before heading toward the Great Lakes and Eastern Seaboard.

More than 120,000 acres and hundreds of structures are charred by wildfires that sweep through Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico.



Heavy rains flood northern California's wine country, damaging homes, and threatening mud slides. In southern California, rains drenched the annual Rose Parade for the first time since 1955. As a result, a state of emergency was declared in seven California counties.



Ben Bernanke is appointed chairman of the Federal Reserve, replacing Alan Greenspan.

John Roberts becomes the nation's 17th chief justice, replacing the late William Rehnquist.

The Senate confirms Judge Samuel Alito to the Supreme Court. Alito, the 110th justice, replaced retired Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

Noor al-Zahra is flown from Iraq to Atlanta, where doctors surgically repair the effects of spina bifida. U.S. troops discovered 3-month-old "Baby Noor" [illegible] patrol in Iraq and arranged for her life-altering



President George W. Bush delivers a series of speeches aimed at boosting support for the War on Terrorism.

Canadians elect Conservative Party leader Stephen Harper to be their next prime minister.



Federal Judge Constance Baker Motley, who once represented Martin Luther King, Jr. and was the first African American woman appointed to the federal bench, died at 84.

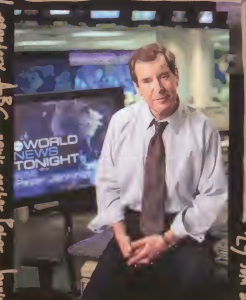
Eric Rudolph is ordered to serve multiple life sentences without parole for four bombings including the 1996 blast at the Olympic Games in Atlanta.



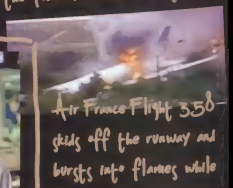
BLOGS

Blog sites such as Xanga and MySpace allow users to create online journals. In 2005, MySpace received more than 5 million hits per day.

Legendary ABC news anchor Peter Jennings loses his fight with lung cancer.



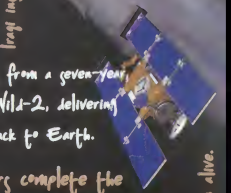
Air France Flight 358 skids off the runway and bursts into flames while landing in stormy weather at Toronto's Pearson International Airport. Miraculously, all 309 passengers survived.







Iraqi mourners react to the death of senior Syuni leader Sheikh Ahmed Yassin who was slain by Israeli troops.



NASA's Stardust spacecraft returns from a seven-year, 2.9-billion-mile journey to Comet Wild-2, delivering the first samples of a comet back to Earth.

Cindy Sheehan, founder of Gold Star Families for Peace, camps outside President Bush's ranch near Crawford, Texas hoping to speak with the president about her son's death in Iraq. More than 2,000 military personnel have died in Iraq since the beginning of the War on Terrorism.



French doctors complete the world's first partial face transplant on a 38-year-old women disfigured by a dog attack.



Microsoft unveils the Xbox 360, the new operating system "Vista," and iTunes' rival "Urge."



London is rattled when terrorists bomb one bus and three Underground trains during the morning rush hour. The attack killed 49 people and injured 700.

NETFLIX

Movie rentals are made easier with Netflix and Redbox.



Vice President Dick Cheney accidentally graves 78-year-old Harry Whittington with bird shot while quail hunting in Texas.

Michael Eisner, the former chief executive of The Walt Disney Co., resigned his position and severed all ties to the company.

Scientists discover the world's smallest fish, Paedocypris progenetica, found in an Indonesian acidic peat swamp, measured less than 1/3 of an inch.



Stuck at Prom Scholarship Contest winners Krystal Long and Casey Isringhouse of Forrest City, Ark., both win a $2,500 college scholarship and $2,500 for their school by wearing these outfits made from Duck brand duct tape.



Guinness World Records declared 116-year-old Maria Esther Capovilla of Guayaquil, Ecuador, the oldest person alive.

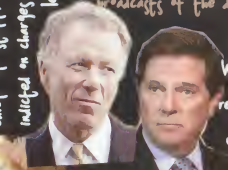
For the first time, Japanese scientists photographed a live giant squid in the wild.

An Egyptian ferry carrying 1,500 passengers sank in the Red Sea. 04 did survived.

Sideways passenger force JetBlue Flight 292 to make an emergency landing at Los Angeles International Airport. During the three hours that the plane circled southern California to burn fuel, passengers watched live DirectTV broadcasts of the drama.



Vice President Dick Cheney's former chief of staff, Lewis Libby, is indicted on charges related to a CIA leak that compromised the nation's security.



Charges of illegal activities are brought against many Washington insiders including lobbyist Jack Abramoff and representatives Randy Cunningham and Tom DeLay. John Boehner replaced DeLay as House majority leader.

'Dirty bomb' suspect Jose Padilla was indicted with four other suspects on terrorism conspiracy charges.

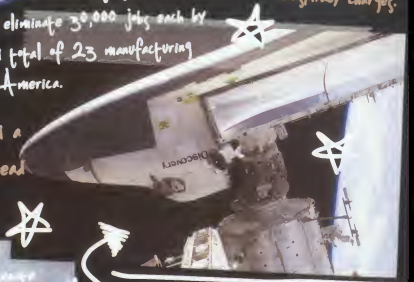


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General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co. eliminate 30,000 jobs each by closing a combined total of 23 manufacturing plants in North America.

Bands of youths torch more than 1,300 cars and burn warehouses, garbage cans and a nursery school in nine nights of violence that spread from Paris suburbs to towns throughout France.



NASA's Discovery embarks on a 14-day mission to deliver supplies and repair the international space station. Once in orbit, the shuttle crew used a 50-foot orbital boom sensor system to survey Discovery for any damage that may have occurred at liftoff.

Following a heated debate, the U.S. Senate votes against a bill that would allow oil drilling in Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.



Following his death, King Fahd bin Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia is succeeded by his half brother Crown Prince Abdullah, marking the first change in the Saudi throne in 23 years.



Nations around the world develop measures to stop the spread of the deadly bird flu virus. Since it emerged in 2003, more than 70 people from China, southeast Asia and Turkey have died from the disease.



The effects of Hurricane Katrina, tension surrounding Iran's nuclear program and an interruption in Russia's gas supply cause fuel prices around the world to skyrocket. U.S. citizens saw a 30–60 percent rise in heating costs and paid an average high of $3 per gallon at the pump. In response to the fuel crisis, President Bush urged researchers to seek alternative energy sources in his State of the Union address.

The Smithsonian Institute selected a location within the National Mall to build a 350,000-square-foot National Museum of African American History and Culture.



One month after their 3-month-old chick Toga was abducted from Amazon World in southern England, African Penguin pair Kyala and Oscar produce a new egg.

Nomura's jellyfish, measuring more than six feet in diameter and weighing up to 440 pounds, clog fishing nets and diminish commercial fishing along Japan's coast.

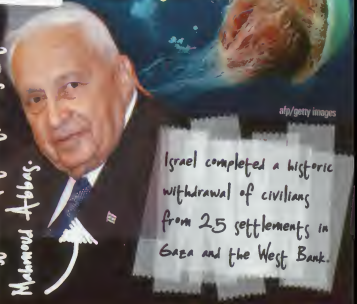


Rosa Parks, who refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white man 50 years ago, dies at 92.

Months after the cruise ship Seabourn Spirit evaded a pirate attack off the coast of Somalia, the guided missile destroyer USS Winston S. Churchill successfully pirate fair in the same waters.



Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon suffers a major stroke, leaving his country in political uncertainty just months before the Palestinian parliamentary elections. Hamas' election victory provoked Fatah supporters to protest against Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas.



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Israel completed a historic withdrawal of civilians from 25 settlements in Gaza and the West Bank.

Lawmakers approved a plan to rewrite the 1973 Endangered Species Act, the nation's most powerful environmental law.

Deaths of more than 5,000 Chinese miners per year caused a government safety crackdown that closed 5,290 coal mines.

Despite international pressure, Iran refused to halt nuclear production and threatened to begin a uranium enrichment program if the country was referred to the U.N. Security Council.

The New York Fire Department released unedited audiotapes from the September 11, 2001, World Trade Center response.

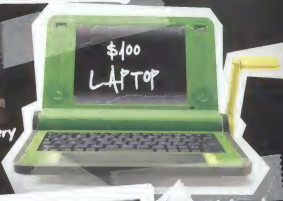


NewsCom/REUTERS

Alabama teen Natalee Holloway disappears while on a senior trip in Aruba.


NewsCom/ZUMA Press

A $365 million Powerball jackpot, the largest lottery prize in U.S. history, is won by eight meat processing workers from Nebraska.



The United Nations unveils the "One Laptop per Child" initiative. Developed by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, these computers are designed for use by schoolchildren in third world countries.

A Federal Air Marshal fatally shot Rigoberto Alpizar in the Miami airport after he claimed that he was carrying a bomb and fled from officials.

iTunes exceeds 1 billion downloads and Intel processors make the new MacBook and iMac up to four times faster.



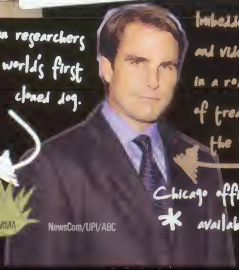
Apple's video iPod and ABC partnership allows viewers to watch recorded TV shows, movies and music videos on the go.



An explosion at the Pasta de Conchos mine in Mexico traps 65 miners deep underground.

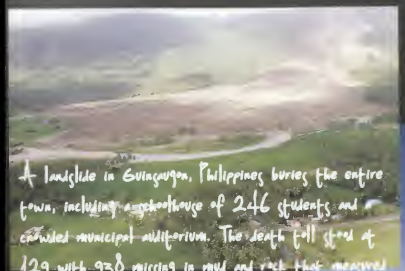

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South Korean researchers created the world's first cloned dog.

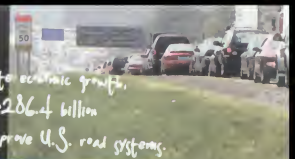

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Embedded journalist, ABC News anchor Bob Woodruff, and video journalist Doug Vogt receive serious head injuries in a roadside blast north of Baghdad. Following two days of treatment in Germany the pair were transported to the United State's National Naval Medical Center.

Chicago officials launched a plan to make wireless broadband * available throughout the entire 228-square-mile city.



A landslide in Guinsaugon, Philippines buries the entire town, including a schoolhouse of 246 students and a crowded municipal auditorium. The death toll stood at 129 with 938 missing in mud and rock that measured up to 100 feet deep.



In an effort to stimulate economic growth, President Bush signs a $286.4 billion transportation bill to improve U.S. road systems.



Mexico partners with the United States to raise the world's largest millimeter wave telescope, featuring a 165-foot antenna. The $120 million telescope was built high atop the 15,000-foot Sierra Negra volcano in Puebla, Mexico.



Verb Yellowball encourages kids to play outside together, then pass their ball to a new friend. Each ball's journey was tracked on-line.

Cheesecake Inc. pays a $45 million settlement in what is the largest civil anti-security penalty in the Federal Trade Commission's history. It was discovered that Cheesecake's warehouse sold 145,000 customers information to an illegal crime ring.

In Britain's biggest robbery ever, professional thieves stole $92 million in British pounds from the Securitas security firm in southern England.

Liberia's new president, Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, is Africa's first elected female head of state



A federal judge ruled that Pennsylvania's Dover Area School Board members violated the Constitution when they included "intelligent design" in the school's biology curriculum.

More than 900 people are killed during six days of torrential rain that left western India under water.



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Conservationists found a two-million-acre "Lost World" in an isolated Papua New Guinea jungle. The expedition led to the discovery of several dozen new species of frogs, butterflies, flowers and birds as well as an abundance of animals that were near extinction in populated regions.

Suzuki sweeps the nation, revealing players who try to evenly distribute the numerals 1-9 throughout a grid.

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		6				3
7			9		1	
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		7	2		6	9
	4		5		8	



Former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and seven codefendants stand trial in Iraq for the 1982 murder of 140 men. The high-security trial saw witnesses testify under complete anonymity, two chief judge changes, and two defense lawyers assassinated. The trial continued amid multiple complaints from Hussein about the United States and the court system.

· Crash · Charlie and the Chocolate Factory · Batman Begins · Batman: A Space Adventure · Rent

TV Favorites:
- Lost
- Grey's Anatomy
- Desperate Housewives
- America's Next Top Model
- Supernatural
- Extreme Makeover: Home Edition
- Dancing with the Stars
- CSI: Crime Scene Investigation
- The Apprentice
- Laguna Beach
- The Ghost Whisperer
- The OC

Reese Witherspoon and Joaquin Phoenix garner awards and accolades for their performances in "Walk the Line."



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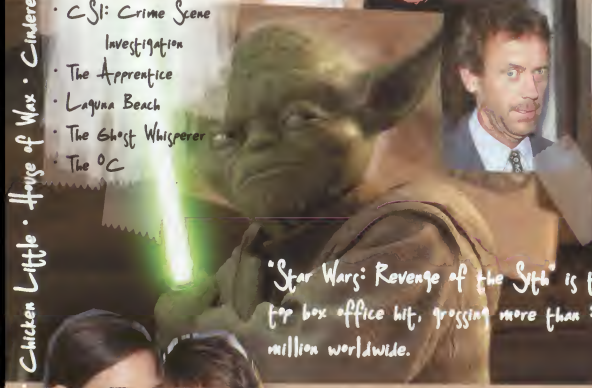
Hugh Laurie's performance on "House" earns him a Golden Globe Award.



"Mr. and Mrs. Smith" co-stars Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie expect their first child.

"The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe" earns more than $590 million worldwide.





"Star Wars: Revenge of the Sith" is the top box office hit, grossing more than $848 million worldwide.

Favorite Movies: · Hitch · Madagascar · Chicken Little · House of Wax · Cinderella Man · Butterfield Mansion



"War of the Worlds" actor Tom Cruise and "Batman Begins" star Katie Holmes are engaged.



Wentworth Miller stars in this year's breakout drama "Prison Break."



Jessica Alba stars in "The Fantastic Four" and "Into the Blue."

"Napoleon Dynamite" wins four Teen Choice Awards and three MTV Movie Awards.



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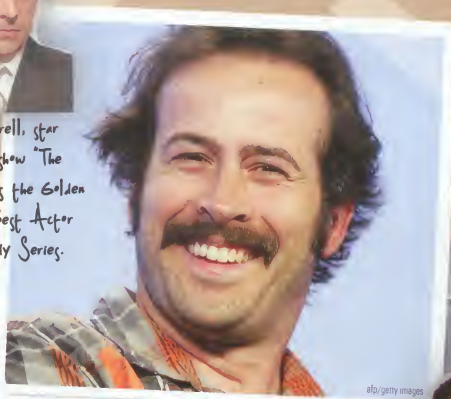
Paramount Pictures bought Dreamworks SKG for $1.6 billion. Steven Spielberg was one of the founders of Dreamworks.

The Walt Disney Co. and Pixar Studios, maker of hits like Steve Jobs, Disney's the first shareholder.

The world bids farewell to comedian Richard Pryor, Oscar-winning actress Anne Bancroft, "A Christmas Story's" Darren McGavin, Don Adams, Bob Denver, "The Karate Kid's" Pat Morita, Chris Penn, "The Munsters" Al Lewis, Don Knotts and Vincent Schiavelli.



Steve Carrell, star of the hit show "The Office," wins the Golden Globe for Best Actor in a Comedy Series.



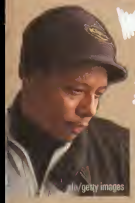
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The Golden Globes recognize "My Name is Earl," starring Jason Lee, as the Best New Show Comedy or Musical.





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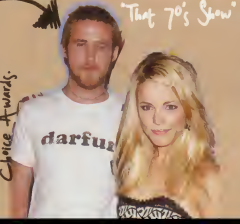
Forest Whitaker receives an Oscar for his performance in "Ghetto and Flush."

Weddings this year included Ben Affleck and Jennifer Garner, Matt Damon and Luciana Bogan, Jesse James and Sandra Bullock and Ashton Kutcher and Demi Moore.

Hit shows, "The West Wing," "Malcom in the Middle," "Alias" and "That 70's Show" finish their runs.

Tyler James Williams, star of the phenomenon sitcom, "Everybody Hates Chris," the childhood of Chris Rock.

Peter Jackson remakes the 1933 classic "King Kong," starring Jack Black and Naomi Watts.



The Nitpicks' stars and offscreen couple Ryan Gosling and Rachel McAdams collect six trophies at the Teen Choice Awards.

Jennifer Aniston stars in "Derailed," "Rumor Has It" and "The Break-up." Aniston was rumored to be dating "Break-up" co-star Vince Vaughn, who also starred in "Wedding Crashers."



MUSIC



Keith Urban wins Entertainer of the Year and Male Vocalist of the Year at the Country Music Awards. He also won a Grammy.

Actor and comedian Jamie Foxx releases his debut album "Unpredictable."

Other popular artists were Ciara, Coldplay, The Black Eyed Peas, Switchfoot, Ludacris, Weezer, Toby Keith, Rob Thomas and Eminem.



"Like We Never Loved at All" wins Faith Hill and Tim McGraw a Grammy for Best Country Collaboration with Vocals.

Mariah Carey releases "The Emancipation of Mimi," claiming her 17th No.1 hit with "Don't Forget About Us." Carey is tied with Elvis Presley in second place for the most No.1 hits.

Singer/songwriter Sheryl Crow had breast cancer surgery.

Radio personality Howard Stern moves his show to Sirius Satellite Radio.

SIRIUS Satellite Radio

Former "American Idol" Kelly Clarkson wins Grammys for Best Female Vocal Performance for her song "Since U Been Gone" and Best Pop Vocal Album for "Breakaway."



U2 snubbed the Grammys, winning five awards. "How To Dismantle an Atomic Bomb" wins Album of the Year.



U2 front man Bono is named Time Magazine's Person of the Year along with Bill and Melinda Gates.

Fans mourned the losses of Luther Vandross, Lou Rawls, Four Tops bass singer Renaldo "Obie" Benson and "Mustang Sally" singer Wilson Pickett.



Kanye West's "Late Registration" wins a Grammy for Best Rap Album.



Alejandro Sanz wins Record of the Year for "Tu No Tienes Alma" at the Latin Grammy Awards.

After three years of marriage, "Newlyweds" Jessica Simpson and Nick Lachey file for divorce.



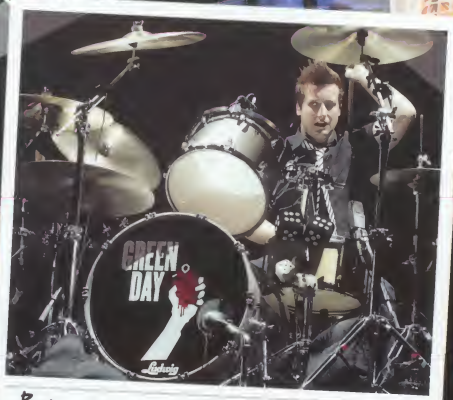
Carrie Underwood is crowned American Idol 2005 and her album quickly climbs the country music charts.





Rapper 50 Cent wins six Billboard Music Awards including Album of the year for "The Massacre."

Daddy Yankee's album "Barrio Fino" is named Urban Album of the Year at the Latin Grammys.



Rock trio Green Day takes home six trophies from the Billboard Music Awards.

John Legend wins three Grammys for Best New Artist, R&B Album and Best Male R&B Vocal Performance.







Gorillaz is the second animated music group to win a Grammy. The first was Alvin and the Chipmunks in 1958.

Britney Spears had a baby boy, Sean Preston, with husband Kevin Federline.

Michael Jackson was acquitted of misconduct charges and relocated to Bahrain.

Sports



Giacomo the 50-1 longshot ridden by Mike Smith, finishes first at the Kentucky Derby.



Tiger Woods wins his 9th and 10th career majors at The Masters and the British Open.



The Baylor Lady Bears dominate 84-62 over Michigan State in the NCAA Women's Basketball Championship finals.

Following a work stoppage lockout, the NHL and its players union reached a salary cap agreement.



Tennis star Venus Williams records her third Wimbledon title and fifth overall grand slam victory.



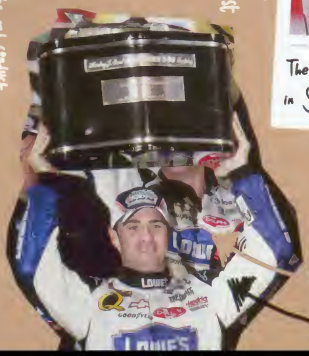
Terrell Owens is unstoppable as the Philadelphia Eagles win the NFC championship.

In the second round of the playoffs, the Los Angeles Lakers, Kobe Bryant scored the second highest single-game total in NBA history with 81 points against the Toronto Raptors.



The Pittsburgh Steelers defeat the Seattle Seahawks 21-10 in Super Bowl XL. Game MVP was Hines Ward.

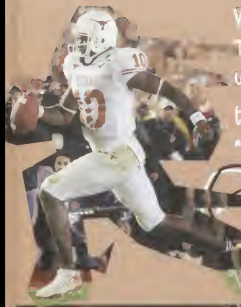
Women's golf returned the nation's number one ranked golfer Annika Sorenstam to the winner's circle in a new career high of 13 times.



Jeff Gordon and crew.

The world bid farewell to NBA legend George Mikan, MLB All-Star outfielder Pat Kelly, Atlanta Hawks Center Jason Collier, San Francisco 49er Thomas Herrion and legendary sportscaster Curt Gowdy.

Less than a week after illegal car modifications suspend crew chief Chad Knaus, Jimmie Johnson rallies to win the Daytona 500.



Vince Young and the Texas Longhorns stun the USC Trojans 41-38 in the Rose Bowl to win the national championship.



Roy Williams records his first title win as head coach when the North Carolina Tar Heels claim the NCAA Men's Basketball Championship.

Alaskan sophomore Michaela Hutchison became the first girl to win a state high school wrestling title while competing against boys.



The Chicago White Sox captured their first World Series title since 1917. Scott Podsednik and Jose Uribe scored on a two-out single by Geoff Blum in the eighth inning.



Finals MVP Tim Duncan leads the San Antonio Spurs to their third NBA title since 1999.

Outfielder Johnny Damon left the Boston Red Sox and signed a four-year, $52 million contract with the New York Yankees.



Roger Federer wins his third consecutive Wimbledon title by defeating Andy Roddick.

In his final Tour de France, Lance Armstrong wins for the seventh consecutive year.





A landslide vote elected USC Trojan Reggie Bush the Heisman Trophy Winner.

Annika Sorenstam is named AP Female Athlete of the Year for the third straight year.

Danica Patrick, 23, leads 19 laps in the Indy 500, finishing fourth. Patrick was the first woman to achieve either milestone.



Silver medalist Danny Kass and gold medalist Shaun White dominate the Halfpipe Snowboarding event.



Halfpipe Snowboarder Sebastien Bisaillon was a gold and silver medalist for Team USA.

U.S. snowboarder Rosey Fletcher claims a surprise bronze in the Parallel Giant Slalom.

Kate Worsley and Lindsey Jacobellis were gold and silver medalists respectively in the Snowboardcross.



Ted Ligety edges Croatia's Ivica Kostelic by .053 seconds for the gold medal in combined slalom.



Julia Mancuso skied her way to a Giant Slalom gold.

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Silver medalists Tanith Belbin and Ben Agosto become the first U.S. ice dancers to medal in 30 years.

U.S. silver medalist Sylvia Cohen is congratulated by Sylvia Fontana, Juno's first Olympic gold medal figure skater. Russia's Irina Slutskaya won the bronze.



Germany led the total medal count with 29. The United States was second with 25 and Canada third with 24.



The U.S. men's team captures the country's first curling medal in a battle for the bronze versus Great Britain.

The Canadian Women's hockey team defended its Olympic gold.

Kristina Groves took the bronze.

Joey Cheek donates his $25,000 gold and $15,000 silver medal bonuses to Right To Play, a charity that benefits children in Sudan.

Chad Hedrick skates to gold in the 5,000m and bronze in the 1,500m.

U.S. speedskater Shani Davis is the first African American to earn an individual gold medal in the Winter Olympics. Davis won gold in the 1,000m and silver in the 1,500m.

U.S. Speedskating star Apolo Anton Ohno claims a gold medal in the 500m, a bronze in the 1,000m and a bronze in the 5,000m relay.

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